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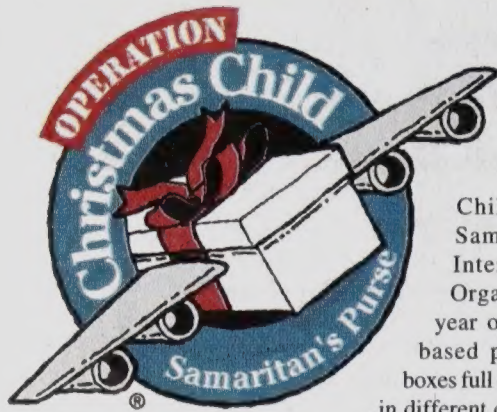
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Operation Christmas Child

Shoe Boxes Full of Goodies Go To Needy Kids Overseas

Operation Christmas Child is a project of Samaritan's Purse, an International Relief Organization, which each year operates a community-based program, where shoe boxes full of goodies go to children in different countries. This year the shoe boxes from Canada are going to

countries in Central America and the Caribbean, South America and West Africa.

The idea is for people to put items for a child into a shoe box. The boxes can be obtained from different churches, for instance St Paul's Anglican in Minden, and at other places of worship throughout the county.

In Minden Ira and Debbie Andrews, who own the dollar store *A Little Bit of Everything* have been strong supporters of Operation Christmas Child for over 10 years. Says Debbie, "we have a soft spot in our hearts for kids who have nothing."

"It's a way of giving something at Christmas time to those who have absolutely nothing," Ira adds. "It's a good way to teach the little ones here how to give. They can do the shopping anywhere," but not being able to resist the plug Ira continues "but we supply shoe box items at the store here for a good price, as most items are for \$1."

More than 700,000 shoe boxes are sent each year from Canada alone. The program has been operating in Canada since 1995, and since that time more than 6.4 million boxes have gone to needy children overseas.

What Boxes Can Contain

Ingredients to put into the boxes can be broken down by age and sex. There are boys and girls boxes, from ages 2-4, 5-9, and 10-14.

Boxes usually contain such items as school supplies, small articles of clothing, toys, games, toiletries and hard candy. In a separate envelope you can enclose a note with a photo of yourself and/or your family.

Don't Include

Please don't include toothpaste, or liquid items that can leak, melt or freeze, or soft candies. Also used and breakable items are discouraged.

Deadlines

The deadline for boxes to be returned to St Paul's in Minden is Sunday October 28th. Most collections are from Nov 5-10, but check for the deadline with the shoe box distributor in your area, as different locations can have a different deadline.

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BEAT the Flu BUG



Get your Shot!

Local health officials have 140 reasons why Haliburton County residents should get their flu shot this fall.

During the 2006/2007 flu season, 140 people in Haliburton County, Northumberland County and the City of Kawartha Lakes had laboratory-confirmed influenza. Half of these locally-reported cases involved children under 14 years of age and individuals 65 years of age and older. The 140 influenza cases reported locally in 2006/2007 were the highest total in three years.

According to the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit, there is strength in numbers when it comes to people getting the flu shot.

"When people are vaccinated against the flu, we protect others as well as ourselves," says Linda McCarey, Assistant Director of Communicable Disease Control with the HKPR District Health Unit.

"With flu season almost here, we need to be socially responsible and get vaccinated so our loved ones are protected."

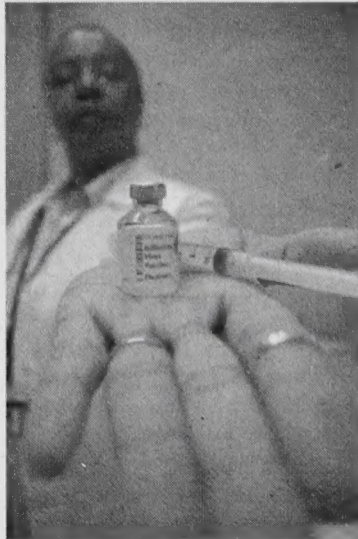
Locally, flu shot clinics offered by the Health Unit start this month and continue into December. They include:

- In Haliburton Village on October 29, from 4 pm to 7 pm at the Royal Canadian Legion (Mountain St.)
- In Wilberforce on November 12, from 4 pm to 7 pm at Lloyd Watson Centre
- In Minden on November 21, from 4 pm to 7 pm at the Minden Community Centre
- In Cardiff on November 26, from 4 pm to 7 pm at the Cardiff Community Centre on Monck Road
- In Haliburton Village on December 3, from 4 pm to 7 pm at the Royal Canadian Legion (Mountain St.)



When there is a good match between the flu vaccine and circulating influenza strains, research shows the flu shot helps protect approximately 70 per cent of people who are vaccinated. The remaining 30 per cent of vaccinated people may still get influenza, but will usually not be as sick as if they had not received the vaccine. For more information on the flu shot, call the Health Unit at (705) 457-1391 or visit www.hkpr.on.ca.

As Flu Season Nears, Health Unit To Offer Free Flu Shot Clinics in Haliburton County



Plan to dress up for Minden's Family Halloween Dance & Party!



Calling all ghosts and goblins! On Tuesday October 30, a family friendly Halloween party is planned for the S.G. Nesbitt Community Centre in Minden on Parkside Street. Aimed at families and school-age children, the event includes contests, fun & games and a short dance with DJ Jamie Bacon. Scheduled for 6pm to 9pm, the evening will wrap up with a ghost story told in dramatic form by local actor Ryan Dawson.

You must be in costume to get in, and the cost for admission is \$1. \$50 prizes will be awarded for the best kids creative costume (donated by County Sign and Display), the best adult historical contest (sponsored by SEARS Minden), and the best "family" costume, and the funniest costume (donated by The Communicator). All prizes are a \$50 cash award each.

Hosted by the Community Services Department and the Minden Hills Cultural Centre, this event is intended to be a fun night out for families. A big thank-you is sent out to the Minden Rotary Club for committing funds and volunteers to help out. Additional donations of prizes and decorations would be gratefully accepted. Also if people want to bring a Jack'o Lantern that would be great! Any of this can be dropped off at the Agnes Jamison Gallery in Minden Tues to Sat 10am to 5pm.

For more information contact Rick Cox, Director of Community Services, at 705-286-1260 ext. 220.

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Saturday, Dec 1st at 10:30am

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For more information or to enter your float in this years parade: contact Rick Cox

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First Page CEO

by Terrance Gavan

Spotlight

On Business

First Page SEO Ranks Among Top 30 North American Companies

If you happen to be one of 500 companies selling widgets.... And if you also happen to rely on the Internet for 80 percent of your business.... And if your business also ebbs and flows with the tide of your placement on search engines like Google and Yahoo and MSN.... Well, as a budding widgeteer, you better be on good terms with your Webmaster; and you better hope that he or she has a solid handle on what Google wants.

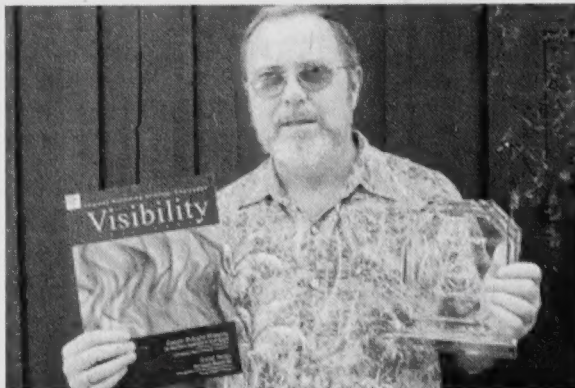
Because there are 499 other companies out there who are building better websites and blasting and hacking away in a veritable backlink jungle in an effort to grab a top ranking on the world's number one search engine.

Mark Coles is the Principal Owner of First Page SEO and it's one of the leading edge companies committed to getting your widget empire on the map.

And in the world of SEO or Search Engine Optimization, on the map, means placing your widget site on the First Page of Google, Yahoo, MSN, WebCrawler or one of the other ubiquitous web search engines out there in the ether.

If you want your widget empire placed highly on Google or Yahoo, Mark Coles is your man.

Visibility Magazine, in it's July 2007 issue, ranked First Page SEO as one of the top Internet marketing companies in North America. First Page SEO (www.first-page-seo.com) was ranked as number 25 of the top 30 Internet marketing businesses doing organic search engine



optimization. First Page SEO is the only Ontario-based marketing organization to break into this elite club of Internet marketers.

Visibility Magazine is a monthly journal featuring "Internet Marketing Strategy Unplugged" and is circulated to business leaders, marketing executives and academics across North America.

Coles says that Search Engine Optimization or SEO has come a long way since he first dipped his keyboard into the SEO waters some 6 years ago.

Many business sectors are reporting that up to 80% of their business can come from web search. Increasingly, the Internet is the tool of choice for business and consumers shopping for services or products on a retail or wholesale basis. "Most businesses have realized for some years now that Internet marketing is pivotal to their business success," says Coles.

What is unusual about the Visibility Magazine published ranking study is that, generally, few Canadian companies break into the USA Internet marketing scene with any degree of success. USA marketing expenditures in California alone are equivalent to all of Canada.

"First Page SEO does Internet marketing and web sites for customers from all over the world and considers Canada as only one of many geographic market opportunities," says Coles.

Coles says the fact that a small Minden firm can compete with the large California-based SEO conglomerates probably rests with the nature

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A Search Engine Optimizer that Could ...

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of the beast. The beast being the changing trends in Search Engine dynamics.

Coles says that North American companies are still maintaining their edge in the area of Search Engine Optimization.

North America companies are leading the charge in the multi-billion-dollar Internet search industry. Search engine optimization is one marketing segment where American firms have entrenched themselves as market leaders across the world, as measured in evidence by placement results.

While many new businesses have been set up in India to outsource some of the search engine marketing work, the real leading-edge marketing guru's continue to conduct their business in-house with highly skilled and innovative employees, capable of keeping up with or staying ahead of the complex search engine algorithms.

"You have to stay on the leading edge of the technology... all of the time," says Coles, whose background is in Information Technology (IT) and Marketing. His first career was as Head of IT of Ontario Hydro Retail. During that time he set up marketing websites and strategies for Ontario Hydro before it morphed into Hydro One.

It was during his tenure with Ontario Hydro that he also purchased and ran - with wife Roberta - Ogoogo Resort. As an aside, Coles admits to setting up the first website in Haliburton County. "Of course it looked like *The Flintstones* when you look back at it today," chuckles Coles.

His Ogoogo Resort website was also one of the first resort websites in Ontario.

So Coles was there from the beginning, dabbling in the Internet when it was still donning its bona fides, just after it emerged from spooky offices buried deep within the antiseptic bowels of the Pentagon and CIA Headquarters.

So Coles has a certain Karmic link to this technology. He took early retirement from Hydro and slowly has ensconced himself in the burgeoning world of SEO. "I've been involved in SEO from the beginning," says Coles.

The technology has literally exploded he adds.

Search Engines are now looking at context as well as content says Coles and that can probably best be explained in the simple example Coles offers.

"Hot air balloons."

Say what?

It's actually a great example.

There was a time, back in the dark ages, when a search engine would parse all three words. It would start with hot and provide results, then add in hot air and produce results and then maybe come up with a few sites selling birthday balloons. A frustrated searcher might scan 10 pages of results before finally finding all three words in context.

It's the reason that many Internet pioneers reverted to drinking and

spent a good deal of their formative years in Rehab.

Nowadays, type the phrase hot air balloon into Google and the context is understood and all of the results refer to the phrase in context. OK, I'll save you the trouble. Wikipedia ranks first and a Canadian Company ranks second offering balloon rides across the prairies.

It may seem like a small thing, but if one is making a living providing businesses with good placement, understanding how Google parses info like 'hot air balloons' is very important.

Coles says that when setting up a website, some companies concentrate on the look, while neglecting the content. And it's content and context today which will place your website

and subsequently your widgets at the top of Google. That and backlinks, but we'll save that for another day. (OK backlinks are links to your site from other sites and play an ever-burgeoning role in SEO today.)

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A Little Bit of Everything Minden Dollar Store Well Named

by George Farrell

You might have seen the ad in the Communicator sponsored by the store *A Little Bit of Everything*. The ad promotes a project of Samaritan's Purse, an International Relief Organization, which each year holds Operation Christmas Child, a community-based program, where shoe boxes full of goodies go to children in different countries. The ad says a lot about store owner's Debbie and Ira Andrews, who have supported the Christmas project for over 10 years.



"We put the ad in to let people, and especially the kids, know about the Christmas shoe boxes, and to let them know that we have inexpensive items for sale here at *A Little Bit of Everything*, and we can help them with their boxes. It's just one of the charities we support," says Ira Andrews. "We have inexpensive items here like 10 combs for \$1, and 5 toothbrushes for \$1, and a lot of our toys are \$1. You can also get items like school supplies and socks for \$1."

The Andrews opened up the store in the Heritage Plaza, in July of 2004, when they were still living in Bobcaygeon. They moved up to Minden in 2005. Ira is originally from Nova Scotia, and Debbie's from Sudbury. "At the time we opened, there was no dollar store in Minden devoted to discount items, and what we envisioned," Ira states.

"It's mainly a dollar store, but we also have items for \$2 and up," says Debbie. About 75% of our items are a dollar. These include things like greeting cards, kitchen items, hardware items, toys, batteries and party supplies." Speaking of party supplies and costumes, *A Little Bit of Everything* is presently festooned with Halloween gear.

"We're always getting in new items," Ira states, "and we have items for each season."

"All our Christmas stuff has just arrived," Debbie laughs, as she wonders where she's going to put everything, "and we've just brought in a line of good quality toys in the five to ten-dollar range. We're an independent store, not a chain, and when we go (buying), we hand-pick every item ourselves. We actually go, and touch everything" she says proudly, "like our new stuffed teddy bear that we decided was soft enough for the store."

Joanne Robinson is the store assistant, and she helps to pack everything nicely into the 750 square feet of space. "She's been just a wonderful asset to our team," says Debbie appreciatively.

On a parting note Debbie and Ira Andrews would like to "thank the people who come through our door. We appreciate every sale, and we look forward to more years in Minden."

It's hard not to like people who care for other people, and whose store offers usable items for sale at discount prices. *A Little Bit of*

Everything is located at 12311 hwy 35, Heritage Plaza, across from the IGA in Minden. You can reach Debbie and Ira Andrews at (705) 286-3741.



Pictured: Ira and Debbie Andrews serve a customer in the store, Ira and Debbie outside their store

Don't worry about what people think; they don't do it very often.

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As a reminder, the last Sunday of October is the deadline for bringing the "Operation Christmas Child" shoeboxes to your local churches or drop-off points.

Remember, shop early for best selection of seasonal items! Have a safe and fun Halloween.

Debbie, Ira & Joanne

Beside IGA & Home Hardware in Minden

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"Some companies will spend 20 to 30 thousand in website development. The site looks great," says Coles. "A flashy website looks great, but the key to a 'successful' website rests in people being able to find it."

"Some of the large SEO players in California have large staffs and charge large prices," says Coles.

"We deliver all of the same services, but we don't charge as much."

In a recent press release Coles allowed that "First Page SEO has consistently ranked number one on Google for many years for search terms such as 'Ontario search engine marketing' and 'Ontario search engine optimization' where competing indexed pages can number almost two million.

"In its customer base of some 400 clients, First Page SEO has more than its fair share of top-ranking web sites. In a world where search engine listings come and go with each search engine algorithm change, staying on top of the pack is part art and part science. As a result most companies that are good at search engine marketing command fairly high professional fees and have waiting lists. First Page SEO currently has a six-week waiting list for search engine optimization work or website design."

Coles says that the fact that First Page SEO ranks at the top of keyword searches speaks reams for the efficacy and efficiency of their work.

"Chances are, if a marketing company can't place it's own site - they probably can't get your web site ranking anywhere near the top either," says Coles.

He says that First Page SEO will build websites from the ground-up as well as putting together search engine marketing, media releases and mail flyer creation. "We do all of the other web-related stuff as well, but we concentrate on search engine optimization."

"We've been hired to look at expensive sites. They look great, but they don't place," says Coles.

"There are a lot of fabulous sites out there that don't get found... they come to us and we will redo the site."

He says that once a site is built or revamped First Page SEO will do the requisite testing to ensure its placement on the Search Engine rankings.

"At present we have about 400 customers and if their sites start to drop in the rankings it doesn't take too long before the phone starts ringing," says Coles. Once that happens, Coles says he will look at the parameters and search out a solution.

Coles adds that First Page SEO is doing business worldwide and business is good today.

"We are getting results and in SEO results produce business," says Coles.

Of course keeping pace with the ongoing changes in technology is the key.

So, if you ever get a hankering to sell a widget or two, you might want to start with First Page SEO.

First Page SEO can be found on the net by Googling First Page SEO or by visiting www.first-page-seo.com. Phone number is 705-286-3656



Bad Predictions

Can I Take That Back Now....

"I doubt whether Darwin will have the determination to survive the difficult journey of several years. My studies of physiognomy indicate that people with a broad, squat nose like his don't have the character."

- Robert Fitzroy, Captain of the H.M.S. Beagle. It was during his voyage on the Beagle that Charles Darwin first formulated his theory of evolution.

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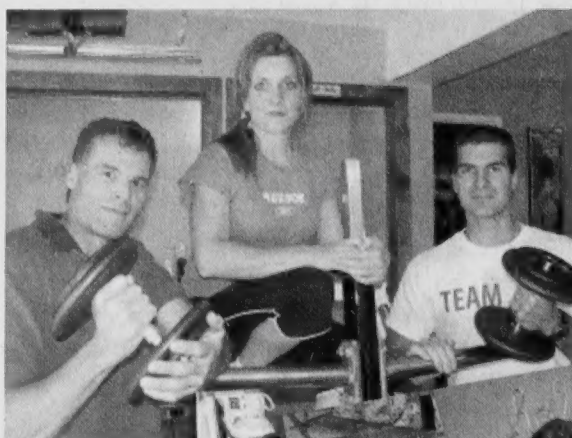
Introducing ...

Wonderland Training Room

There are several fitness establishments peppered throughout the county. Here's one that's a bit different. Wonderland Training Room is a private, fully equipped training room that operates on a by-appointment basis. It offers a Can-Fit-Pro Certified Personal Trainer Specialist Peter Dobie, and his private fitness gym, located in a quiet, peaceful setting just a few minutes from the village of Haliburton.

Peter Dobie operates the gym along with help from fitness assistant wife Tracy, and brother Doug. Tracy grew up in the Highlands as a Madill. Father Brian owns Madill Plumbing. Peter and Doug are originally from Montreal, and Peter met Tracy in Ottawa. They were married in 1995 and they're the proud parents of daughter Taylor aged 11, and Jack 7. The family moved back to the Highlands in 2000.

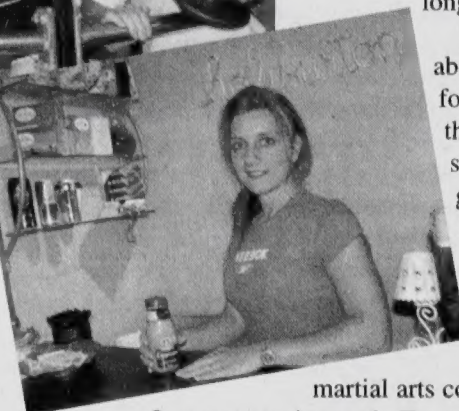
"Physical fitness has always been a hobby," states Peter. "I've collected cardio, strength and weight-training equipment, and decided to convert our garage into a fitness room." Tracy adds,



"Peter has driven transport truck for the past 8 years. He's the only long-haul driver I know that takes his weights with him. He exercises at the truck stop by doing lunges outside the truck, or on the flatbed on a makeshift bench, working chest and back. For cardio he would run, or roller blade and thereby maintain his physique in spite of sitting behind the wheel for such long periods of time."

"I started training at about 12 years of age for football, and to impress the girls I guess," Peter says laughing, "and I guess I've had an influence on Tracy to pick up her training."

Tracey smiles and admits modestly "We took some



martial arts courses together."

In a more serious vein Tracy says "Peter has been on the road for so long its hard on him and the family. So I said to him last year, 'it's about time to pursue that dream, what with all our equipment we have, and maybe we could have you home a little more, and that's how the business developed."

The Equipment

There's no denying that the Dobies have all the professional equipment required, including: treadmill, elliptical Stair climber, Power Cage and Smith Machine. Then there's equipment for leg extension, leg curl, leg press, including a calf machine, T-Bar Row, Bench Press, Lat, Pull Down, Seated Row, as well as free weight dumbbells from 3 to 80 lbs.

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"We're here for guidance and help if we're needed," reiterates Peter. "Once a person's comfortable with the equipment and their own program, they can do it on their own, with a friend. If they want to work alone there's always someone here, just the other side of the door, if they need us. What we're offering though is a personalized program where they acquire the knowledge so that they can train alone, if they want to."

Personal training is always very expensive, usually in the vicinity of \$30-60/hr, plus most clubs also charge a membership fee. What Wonderland Training Room offers is a flat fee of \$600 a year, with the option to pay quarterly or by the month. A six-month membership is \$360, and 20 sessions can be had for \$120. Package options include private training sessions or one-on-one, personal training, which is included as part of the membership fee. There are single or group gym sessions available with a maximum of 3 people.

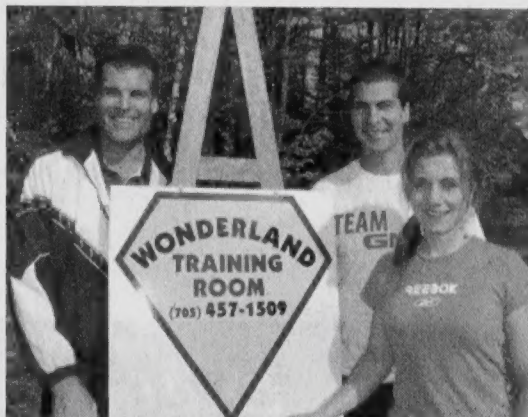
There's a mother and daughter team that works out together. "They would never be able to afford to go to a gym and pay for both of them to have a personal trainer," Peter states. "We do it for them, and take it to where they can work together, or train on their own."

"It's a myth that women who lift weights will become bulky," Tracy adds. "Women who lift light to moderate weights will tone and strengthen muscle for everyday function."

There's also a Nutritional Bar at the Wonderland Training Room which offers bottled water, health bars and energy drinks for sale, and Tracy can make you a coffee, tea, or if you prefer, a fruit or protein shake, after your session.

The Wonderland Training room officially opened its doors in September of this year.

Peter, Tracy and Doug have found that their peak times are at the end of the working day. At the present time their clients number around 15 people, varying from beginners to very advanced-teens to seniors. "We don't plan on getting big, because that will take away the personal aspect. If we got too busy, I'll look into expanding our space, but the bottom line is that we want to keep that personal aspect."



The Wonderland Training Room is located at 1087 Wonderland Road, RR # 2, Haliburton ON, KOM 2K0. You can reach Peter, Tracy and Doug at (705) 457-1509

Pictured: Peter Doug and Tracy working some of the equipment,; Dough Peter and Tracy with the Wonderland Training Room sign; Tracy at the Nutritional Bar

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Admission is only \$3. Food & drinks will be for sale by the fire department outside.

This is the fourth year for the haunted house, and as owner of Pine Reflections Gina Atkinson puts it, "It's not for the weak hearted. You're guaranteed to get scared and there's lots of mystery happening in there." The Haunted House is open between 5:30 & 8:30 p.m, October 26, 27, 28, & 31st. Bring the whole family out and enter if you dare! For more information, call 489-1397. And one more thing... BOO!

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It's Happening in Kinmount!

by Lynne Kilby

Here's something that happened in Bobcaygeon that I'd like to pass on to you. The other day at Tim Horton's I let in a vehicle that approached the drive-thru at the same time as me and when I got up to the window to pay, the attendant told me my order was paid by the woman in front of me because I let her in. So thank you to who ever you are for the nice treat. My granddaughter Cameryn is still talking about it. Random acts of kindness – pass it on!

Bravo to the 1st Kinmount Unit of Sparks, Brownies, Guides & Pathfinders who helped their community in a fun way this Thanksgiving "killing two birds with one stone." The group spent 2 meeting nights making 20 scarecrows to contribute to the annual town decorating and at the same time responded to the Kinmount Agricultural Society's plea to "help us help the kids of the community have ice in the arena this winter," by placing signs on their scarecrows that said "Help Bring Back the ICE to Kinmount Arena." The signs, donated by local business "What's Your Sign?" were so effective donations were received the first day the scarecrows were displayed!

Congratulations to Fred Levens of Norland, the lucky winner of the Kinmount & District Lions Club ATV raffle, drawn Oct. 8.

Exercise classes for "49 & holding" have begun at the Kinmount Community Centre. Drop in Tuesday & Thursday mornings from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. Certified instructor Janet Dalzell is also interested in getting evening classes on the go. Contact Janet at 488-2630.

Remember to call me at (705) 488-2919 or E-mail me at lynne.kilby@sympatico.ca to share news or advertise an event or activity. Special events coming up this month include:

Sponsorship Opportunity: "Bring Back the Ice" at Kinmount Arena by donating \$60.00. Give a gift of joy and be acknowledged on a plaque at the arena. Call 488-2372/488-3162 or mail your donation to Kinmount Agricultural Society, P.O. Box 238, Kinmount, On, K0M 2A0. All donations gratefully received.

The 1st Kinmount Unit of Sparks, Brownies, Guides & Pathfinders is now selling **Mint Girl Guide Cookies**. To support the girls and enjoy some delicious cookies call 488-2919.

Oct. 27 - Halloween Spooktacular at Kinmount Public Library, 11:00 a.m. Story, craft & munchies.

Oct. 27 - Kids Community Halloween Party, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at Kinmount Community Centre. Plenty of music, fun and games and free too!

Oct. 27 - Halloween "Bring Back the Ice" Dance. Come **BOO**gie with "The Spacers" at Kinmount Community Centre from 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. Proceeds go to completing the inside perimeter at the new Kinmount Arena. Tickets are \$10.00. Advance tickets are available around town or call 488-2211. *All tickets purchased are eligible to win some fantastic door prize!* This is an age of majority event.

Nov. 3 - Fowl Supper served by Galway Hall Committee at Galway Hall, Galway Road 4:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Call 488-2217 for more info.

Nov. 10 - Fowl Supper served by the Ladies Auxiliary, Royal Canadian Legion Branch 441, 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Call 488-2307 for more info.

Nov. 11 - Remembrance Day Service, 11:00 a.m. at Kinmount Cenotaph. Contact the Royal Canadian Legion at 488-3462 for information on donating a wreath.

More Halloween Parties around the County...

Gooderham Family Halloween Party Friday, October 26

Enjoy games such as mummy wrapping and the Mad Scientist Lab! Wear your costumes and receive a special goodie bag. Bring your own pumpkin to decorate at the party. Refreshments will be served. No admission charge. Purchase raffle tickets to support the work of the Gooderham Community Centre.

Cardiff Halloween Dance Saturday, October 27

The Cardiff Community Association will be hosting it's 3rd Annual Halloween Dance on October 27, 2007. All children and youth 16 and under are invited and costumes are welcome. Music howled by Ron Pettifer. The cost at the door is \$4.00 per person. The dance is at the Cardiff Community Centre from 7pm to 10pm. Contact Steve Kauffeldt Tel: 613-339-2333

In Pursuit of a Repulsive Potion in Wilberforce ... a Halloween Cache Event October 27

The Geocaching Capital of Canada presents a Halloween Event Cache - In Pursuit of a Repulsive Potion.

Although the recovery mission of Leweena Gizzardstone's remains at last year's Halloween Event was successful, inclement weather prevented her cremation. Now, one year later it's time to premanently dispose of the Lecherous Leweena!

If you're just looking for some great family fun come and join in between 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. to take a stroll through the haunted cemetery (may not be suitable for very young children).

If you're feeling especially brave, bring your GPS units, your wits and a flashlight to help the townsfolk of Wilberforce collect the potion ingredients.

The collection collaboration begins on October 27th at 5:30 p.m. at the Wilberforce Curling Club. Log onto Geocaching.com waypoint GC15ZVK for more details.

*...take a
stroll
through
the
haunted
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Breaking Down Barriers

Local Businesses Encouraged to Get With the 'Barrier-Aware' Program To Boost Accessibility

Rob Young hopes the new Barrier Aware program will help clear the way to greater accessibility for residents of Haliburton County with disabilities.

The Minden resident has used a wheelchair for 33 years. In that time, Young notes many property owners and store operators have improved access to their premises. Efforts such as widening store aisles, clearing boxes out of the way and removing snow and ice from parking lots may seem small, but are a good first step to boosting accessibility.

That said, he still finds it a challenge to get around, whether it is some store aisles that remain too narrow or automatic doors that close too quickly, open the wrong way or that have buttons placed too high.

Says Young: "I wish businesses owners would put themselves in the position of the person in the wheelchair or the individual using a walker."

He and other community backers of the innovative Barrier Aware program hope it will lead to improved access for local residents who are disabled or face mobility challenges. With financial support from the Haliburton County Development Corporation, Barrier Aware is being spearheaded by representatives from the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit, Community Care, Community Living, Haliburton County Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee, local municipal officials and individuals like Young.

"We don't expect the world to change overnight, but we do hope Barrier Aware will get people thinking of change for the better," Young says.

Launching this fall in Haliburton County, Barrier Aware consists of two parts: recognition and education. The program will recognize business owners who improve the accessibility of their establishments. These businesses will receive a special Barrier Aware decal, which they will be encouraged to display prominently on their premises.



"The Barrier Aware decal is an important symbol advising customers that a business is a barrier-free establishment that is committed to making Haliburton County a place where everyone can get around and feel welcome," says Angela Van Berlo, a supporter of the Barrier Aware program and Health Promoter with the HKPR District Health Unit.

On the education side, Barrier Aware is designed to promote to local businesses the benefits of greater accessibility. A special information package will be available to provide tips on becoming barrier-free, the importance of attracting more customers by providing better access to a business, potential grants available to offset the cost of improvements, web-based resources and reasons for becoming barrier-free.

"There is a business case for breaking down barriers because it will pay off in the future," says Van Berlo.

According to Statistics Canada, approximately 16 per cent of Ontarians have a disability. This number is expected to grow as the population gets older and faces increased mobility, vision and hearing challenges.

Since Haliburton County has one of the highest per capita populations of older adults in Canada, Van Berlo says it is important for local businesses to break down barriers for a growing portion of their customer base.

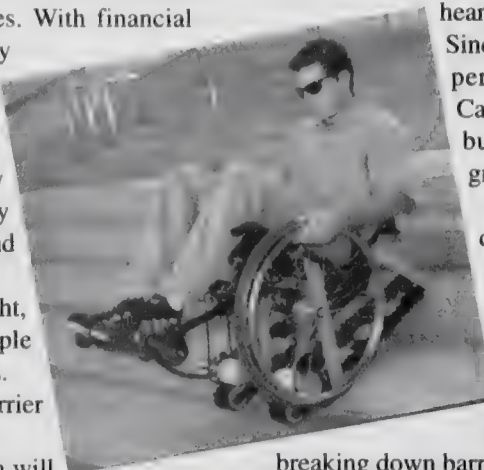
Accessibility is also a sign of things to come. The recently-approved Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act requires that all goods, services, facilities, accommodation, employment, buildings, structures and premises be accessible/barrier-free on or before January 1, 2025.

While Young realizes the move towards breaking down barriers will take time and cost money, he says there are simple, economical ways that businesses can act now. One idea is for stores to install more customer seating so residents with walking or endurance problems can rest if they need to during a shopping trip. Young also sees a role for individuals with disabilities to play, by suggesting ways that businesses and stores can become more accessible. "Many business owners would be willing to fix the problem," he adds.

What do Young and others hope will result from the Barrier Aware program? Awareness is the big thing.

"We just want businesses to be aware; we don't want to preach to them," he says. "Down the road, some of these business operators may need and appreciate accessible, friendly stores."

Businesses owners who want more information about the Barrier Aware program can call the local Health Unit at 457-1391.





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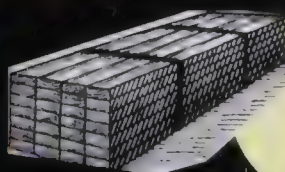
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25 Ways You Can Tell You've Grown Up

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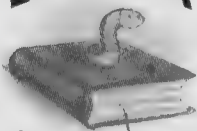
1. You keep more food than beer in the fridge
2. 6:00 a.m. is when you get up, not when you go to bed
3. You hear your favourite song in an elevator
4. You watch the weather channel
5. Your friends Marry and Divorce instead of "Hook up" and "Break up"
6. You go from 130 days of vacation time to 14
7. Jeans and a sweater no longer qualify as "dressed up"
8. Your houseplants are alive and you can't smoke any of them
9. You're the one calling the police because those %&*# kids next door won't turn down the stereo
10. Older relatives feel comfortable telling sex jokes around you
11. You don't know what time taco bell closes anymore
12. Your car insurance goes down and your car payments go up
13. You feed your dog science diet instead of McDonald's leftovers
14. Sleeping on a couch makes your back hurt.
15. You take Naps.
16. Dinner and a movie is the whole date instead of the beginning of one.
17. Eating a basket of chicken wings at 3 a.m. would severely upset, rather than settle, your stomach.
18. You go to the drug store for Ibuprofen and Antacid, not condoms and pregnancy tests.
19. A \$4.00 bottle of wine is no longer "pretty good stuff"
20. You actually eat breakfast food at breakfast time.
21. "I just can't drink the way I used to" replaces "I'm never going to drink that much again".
22. Making out in a twin bed is out of the question.
23. 90% of the time you spend in front of a computer is for real work.
24. You drink at home to save money before going to a bar.
25. When you find out your friend is pregnant you congratulate them instead of asking, "Oh man, what the hell happened?"

Bonus:

You read this entire list looking desperately for one sign that doesn't apply to you and can't find one to save your sorry old butt. Then you show your friends this 'cause you know they will enjoy it too.

Take care – being old isn't so bad – it has its good points too. Just ask yourself – if you could be 18 again right now – would you be? In today's day and age I find myself saying "NO THANKS"

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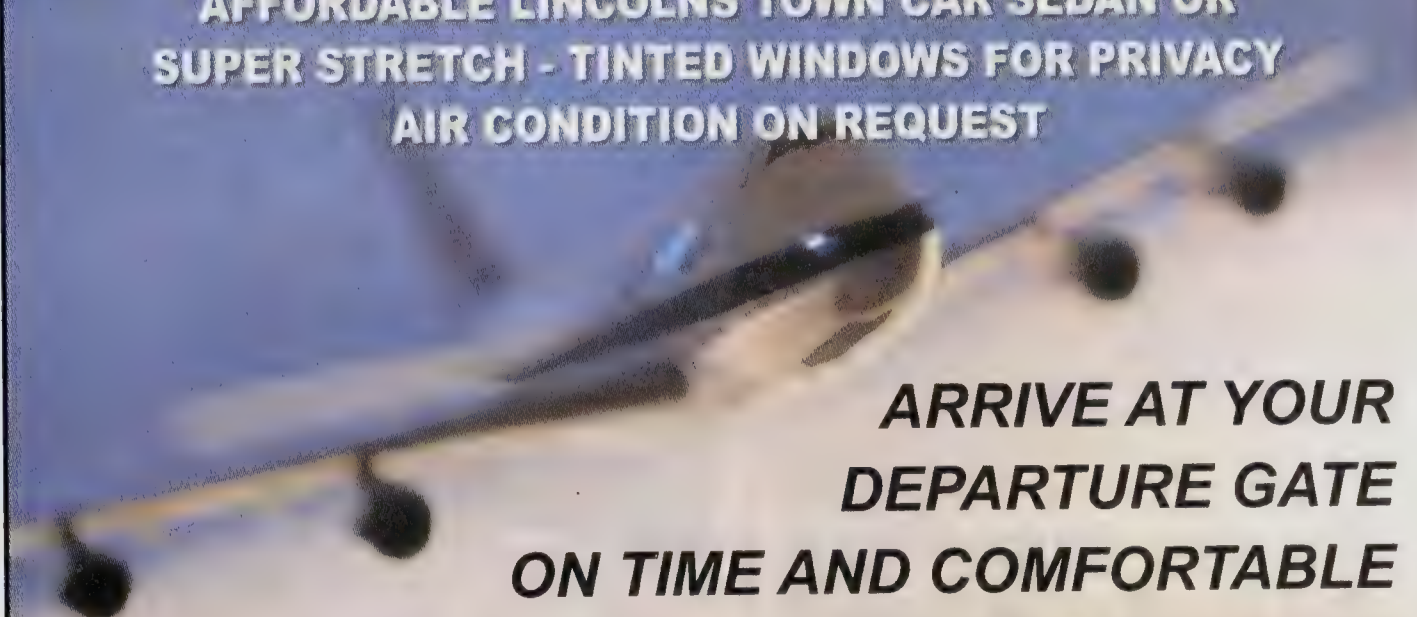


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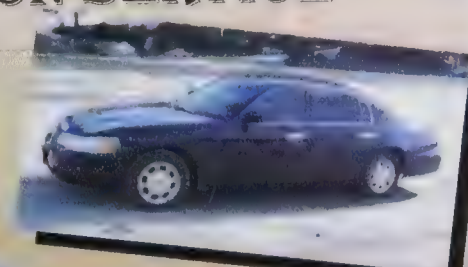
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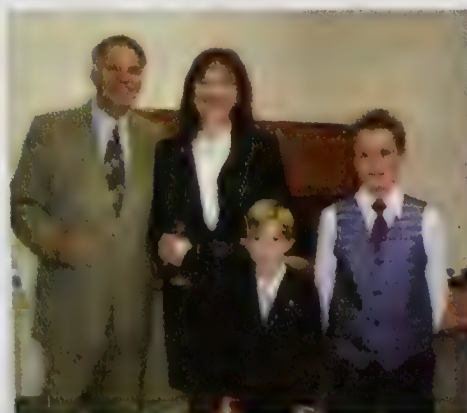
Subaru Celebrates Grand Opening of New Showroom

Congrats goes out to Minden Subaru on the opening of their new showroom at their current location on Hwy 35 in Minden. The official ribbon cutting was held on Wednesday October 17th with delegates from Subaru's head office present as well as friends, staff and local municipal representatives to commemorate the opening of the new facilities.

The new showroom boasts over 4000 square feet, (total building space now exceeds 14,000 sq ft) and as owners Charles and Ethel Muli put it, "It's nice to have a much more modern and comfortable facility for our customers now."

The service entrances are still in the same location, but the sales and leasing department will be in the newer entrance.

Minden Subaru will be holding an Official Grand Opening on Saturday, October 27th from 9 am to 4 pm at their location on Hwy 35. There will be a BBQ and refreshments will be served. This is a great opportunity to check out the new facilities and get any questions you may have about Subaru's answered. To reach Minden Subaru, call 286-6126.



Pictured is Charlie & Ethel Muli with their grandchildren, Sebastien and Loic.

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Stanwick and Walker top off a home-cooked meal by considering the case of an executive garroted in his own office. See if you can match Stanwick in stringing the clues together!

DEATH AFTER DINNER

It was after eight on a November evening. At the Walker home in Royston, the dinner dishes had been cleared. The boys, Peter and Tim, had gone upstairs to finish their homework. The inspector, his wife Elizabeth, and their dinner guest, Thomas P. Stanwick, had just sat down in the living room when the inspector's beeper went off. "No rest for Royston's finest, Matt," quipped Stanwick as his host excused himself and went to the kitchen phone.

"You get used to it, with a police detective in the house," said Elizabeth with a slightly sad smile. "I think Matt would be bored without being called away now and then. But maybe he can send someone else this time."

It was not to be. A few minutes later, Walker and Stanwick were on their way to the headquarters of Omniplace Reinsurance, Incorporated.

Sergeant Hatch and several other officers were already there. ORI occupied an office suite on the second story of a five-story office building. A large room of cubicles was ringed by windowed offices. One of these offices belonged to the vice president of business development, Albert Spitzak, who was dutifully at his desk. Dead. "The crime scene squad is on its way, sir," Hatch told Walker. "The janitor discovered the body a little after seven-thirty, and called it in." Walker nodded. He and Stanwick entered Spitzak's office and, touching nothing, examined everything.

The office furnishings were conventional: two file cabinets, a small table with two chairs, a potted plant. A table covered with piles of paper was under the window in back, and just in front of this table was Spitzak's large desk. It was cluttered with papers and folders, and had a phone console, a laptop computer, a half-empty bottle of cold medicine, and a large, nearly empty box of tissues.

Spitzak lay back in a leather chair behind the desk. He was a lean, clean-shaven man of medium height, with brown hair and a long, thin neck now disfigured by a red line around it. He wore gray slacks and a blue shirt with an open collar and a loose tie. Walker gave him a cursory examination.

"Strangled, obviously," he said curtly. "He must have died not long before he was discovered. Doc Pillsbury can tell us more when he gets here. Let's see if we can find what he was killed with. It must have been a small rope of some sort."

"Nothing like that is visible on the desk or the back table," Stanwick said. "The wastebasket behind him is empty, and there's nothing under the desk or on the floor. I don't think the murder weapon was left behind."

"Probably not." Walker turned to two uniformed officers. "Walters. Martinez. Check the outer office for any thin rope or twine. Hatch, let me talk to that janitor."

The sergeant introduced Anthony Mosca. He was in his late thirties, had dark, curly hair and a dark mustache, and wore a blue work uniform.

"You discovered the victim, Mr. Mosca?" Walker smiled.

"Yessir. I was doing my usual round. Collecting trash, light dusting, that sort of thing. Then I come to Mr. Spitzak's office. He's there, sitting back, with that mark on his neck. I go up to him, but he's dead. I can tell. So I run to the office next door and phone the cops."

"How far along in your usual round were you?" asked Walker.

"I had done the first floor, right on schedule. There are two or three companies on each floor. This was my first stop on the second floor."

"Did you see anyone else in the building?"

"A couple of people, employees, were still in one of the suites downstairs, and the fourth floor has some lights burning. Most people go home by six."

"Why didn't you go to the occupied suite downstairs to get help?"

"I thought it was more important to call right away. Then I waited at the front door to let the first cops in."

The inspector seemed satisfied. After asking Mosca to stand by, Walker, Stanwick, and Hatch went into the large outer room. Just outside the door to Spitzak's office was the janitor's cart, holding cleaning sprays, rags, a half-full trash can, and bathroom supplies.

"How secure is this building?" Walker asked Hatch.

"It's kept locked after hours," Hatch replied. "Mosca had to let the responding officers in. But there's no security guard."

"Well, take two uniforms and start questioning everyone else in the building."

"Yes, sir." Hatch walked briskly away.

"That's all well and good," remarked Stanwick, "but keep your eye on Mosca. He's lying about this, and is probably your man."

HOW DID STANWICK KNOW THAT MOSCA WAS LYING?

See solution pg. 19...

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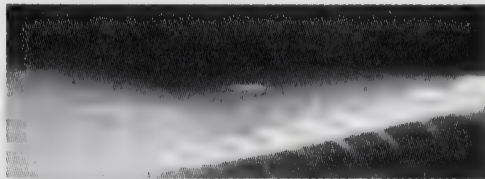
several volunteers were on hand to implant the chips and complete the paperwork. The small chips ensure that pets can be identified and returned to their owners should they ever become lost or stolen. This clinic

was sponsored by the Minden Animal Hospital and MEAC at half the regular cost of microchipping.

Further information about microchipping can be obtained by calling the Minden

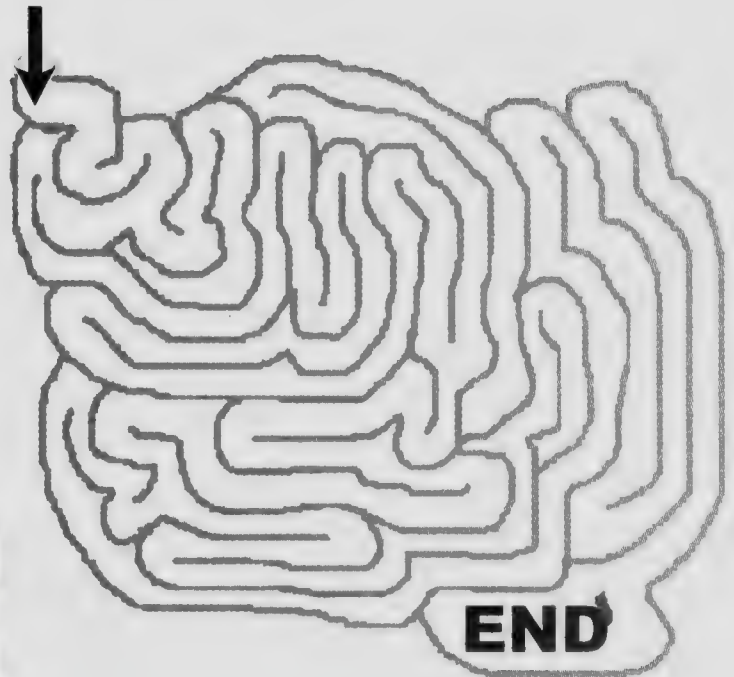
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Thank you goes out to the great volunteers.



Microchip cat xray

Maze Time... Enjoy....



Who Dun-it? *Solution from pg. 17*

Solution

Walker looked at Stanwick quizzically.

"Why say that?" he demanded. "Because his cart's outside Spitzak's office? Isn't that where it would be if he saw the body from the doorway?"

"Of course it is. But you overlook a clue of omission from our search for the murder weapon." Stanwick smiled.

"So we haven't found it yet! You yourself said it would be odd for the murderer to leave it behind."

"That wasn't my point. Spitzak had a cold, you see."

"That's your point?"

"Look at his desk. He was taking cold medicine and using a lot of tissues. So where were the discarded tissues? He would have thrown them in the wastebasket right behind him. But I found that empty when we were looking for the twine. Meaning what? It was recently emptied. By whom? The janitor."

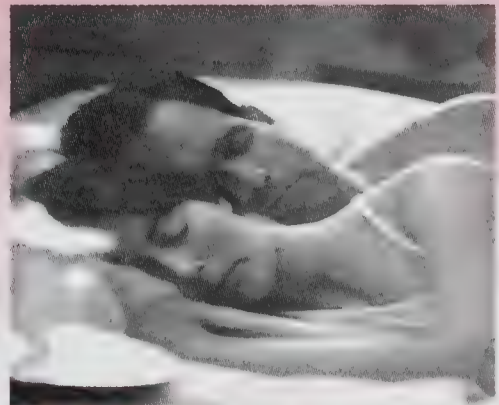
"I see." Walker's brow darkened.

"I'm sure you do. If Mosca had innocently come to this office and discovered a dead man, he would hardly have bothered to empty his trash, now would he? I think Mosca found Spitzak alive, emptied his trash, replaced his wastebasket, and when he was still behind him, got the twine out and strangled him. Then he phoned in."

Late that night, Mosca confessed under interrogation. He had supplied drugs to Spitzak, and feared being turned in.

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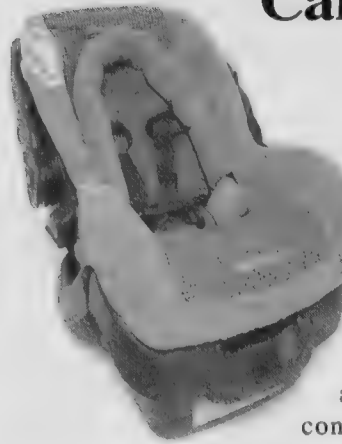
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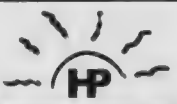
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IN THE LOCKER ROOM

By Terrance Gavan

Kevin Everett's Journey from Brink of Paralysis The Miami Project and Unlikely Angels

Buffalo Bills tight end Kevin Everett, who doctors feared would be paralyzed for life, has taken his first steps and says he feels fortunate to be alive.

Anyone who was watching the traumatic injury to Everett in the first game of the season on a kickoff against the Denver Broncos will remember that the original prognosis was not good at all for the 25-year-old lineman.

"This week, with the assistance of a walker, I was able to take steps and I've been able to move in my wheelchair, both of which are great triumphs for me," Everett said on the Buffalo Bills team website in his first comments since the injury.

Medics said that Everett has responded well to treatment but it remains unclear if he will make a full recovery.

The fact that he's moving at all would appear to be some sort of miracle.

If it is a miracle and if for some reason Kevin Everett is able to make at least a partial recovery from the horrific first prognosis, we will probably have to give at least some of the credit to an unlikely angel.

If courage is defined as courage in the face of unassailable odds, Marc Buoniconti ranks among the bravest men you'll ever know.

A 1985 spinal cord injury left him unable to move a muscle below his neck.

Marc can't move today. But he has an uncanny power to move people.

Today Marc moves people to understand the tragedy of paralyzing Spinal Cord Injury (SCI) and to join him in finding a cure.

Marc, son of legendary All-Pro and Hall of Fame Miami Dolphin linebacker Nick Buoniconti serves as Ambassador for the Miami Project to Cure Paralysis.

Marc also serves as President of the Buoniconti Fund to Cure Paralysis.

Twenty-seven years ago Marc Buoniconti was a 220-lb., 19-year-old, seemingly indestructible, sophomore starter on South Carolina's Citadel football team.

On October 26, 1985, in a play against East Tennessee State, he sustained a spinal cord injury. In that second, he joined millions worldwide who know the devastation of SCI.



The injury set a chain of events in motion and eventually led to the start and funding of the ambitious Miami Project.

Marc once said, "I truly believe in my heart that the Miami Project holds tremendous promise for people who are spinal cord injured. In 1985, the Miami Project was a dream. Today, it's reality."

Indeed. One of the doctors who has been involved in the Miami Project just happened to be on site in Buffalo when Everett went down.

There was no doubt at that time that Everett had severely injured his spine. The doctor on scene immediately began treatment.

Dr. Andrew Cappuccino employed a novel technique. On the way to the hospital, he started to cool Everett's body by injecting him with two liters of ice-cold saline. After performing corrective surgery, doctors continued to cool his body by implanting a catheter into his femoral artery. This time, cold saline was recycled through intravenous balloons instead of entering his bloodstream. The technique cooled his body temperature from 98°F to 92°F.

At the very least, moderate hypothermia treatment does not hurt most patients with neurological injuries. At most, it may constitute a medical breakthrough. But how does it work?

Well no one knows for sure.

"There is no specific written protocol" for cold therapy, Dr. Cappuccino said. But he said the goal was to lower a patient's body temperature to reduce inflammation and the destruction of cells in the spinal cord, which can lead to further damage.

Cappuccino said he learned about hypothermia treatment in spinal cord cases during a seminar last year conducted in part by Dr. Barth Green, chairman of neurosurgery at the University of Miami medical school. Green is also president of The Miami Project to Cure Paralysis.

Enter Marc Buoniconti, unlikely angel. Sometimes miracles can be explained by a simple crunch of likely and unlikely events. Sometimes they're called Serendipity. Sometimes they get around on a battery-powered wheelchair.

Marc Buoniconti has chosen to spend his time not pondering his lot, but by moving forward on those rubber wheels..

What does he think about his experience since the injury? "I can't look backward," says Marc Buoniconti.

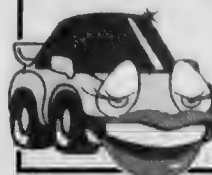
"Sure, my life has changed. But even with everything that's happened, I love life."

It's a sentiment that I'm sure Kevin Everett can relate to.

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Crime Flashback

by Max Haines

Loutish Louis chopped up his latest lover

This is a nasty little tale which the weak at heart may be well advised to avoid. For the remainder, please press on.

Zeppelins were over London raining their bombs on the populace that night of Oct. 31, 1917. Many fled underground, but not 32-year-old Emilienne Gerard.

She chose to leave her apartment at 15 Munster Square to dash to the protective arms of her lover, Louis Voisin, who lived in the basement at 101 Charlotte St. Louis, a butcher by profession, was not your classical tall, dark and handsome Frenchman. He was rather burly and had an extremely red complexion. Despite living in England for four years, he had not learned one word of English.

Emilienne ran to her lover's flat. Voila! There was her Louis, naked as a jaybird, in the sack with Berthe Roche, to whom Emilienne had never even been introduced. Emilienne was fit to be tied.

Berthe was more than somewhat annoyed at being interrupted. She ordered Emilienne off the premises. Emilienne refused to budge.

Berthe struck her rival over the head with a blunt instrument which has never been identified. When Emilienne screamed, Louis was fearful that neighbours would hear the commotion. He joined in the fun by strangling his former lover as she lay on the floor.

ONCE A BUTCHER ...

What in the world to do with the body? Louis, forever the butcher, immediately thought that it would be easier to dispose of smaller portions of Emilienne. He went to work. He had the tools of his trade at hand. The

Butcher of Charlotte St.

dead woman's knees were severed through the middle of the joint. The implements in Louis' steady hands didn't touch a bone. Emilienne's hands were expertly cut away at the wrists. The head was separated from the body.

The work was completed around 8 a.m. on Nov. 1, but there still remained the ticklish problem of getting rid of Emilienne's parts. By late afternoon plans were finalized.

Louis made his way to Emilienne's flat. He met the landlord and told him that Emilienne had gone away for a few weeks. He said that she was expecting a sack of potatoes and asked the landlord to accept them in her absence. That piece of business completed, Louis let himself into Emilienne's flat.

He had a key to the flat and entered without the landlord's knowledge. He placed a bloody handprint on the bedclothes and also put blood in a pail of water to simulate the killer washing blood off his hands after killing Emilienne.

Louis then left Emilienne's apartment with a bedsheet he thought might come in handy later.

No one is certain why Louis came up with the sack of potatoes yarn. Quite probably he thought he would send a few parts of Emilienne along, knowing that they might not be touched for weeks.

Certainly he was attempting to move the scene of murder from his premises to Emilienne's.

Back on Charlotte St., Louis and Berthe abandoned the silly potato sack scheme. Instead, he wrapped the body in the sheet taken from Emilienne's apartment and placed it in a meat sack. The legs were enclosed in another parcel.

To throw the wolves off the track, Louis wrote the words "Blodie Belgium" on a piece of paper and placed it with the body. All of this was tedious. Tomorrow was another day. Louis fell into a deep sleep, surrounded by the assorted sections of Emilienne Gerard.

Next morning, Louis fetched his horse and buggy and made his way to a dilapidated area near Regent Square. It was here he dumped the body and legs. That same morning, a sweeper came across the parcel containing the body. He peeked inside and recoiled in horror. He immediately called police.

Detectives swung into action. They canvassed laundries, attempting to identify a laundry mark found on one corner of the bedsheet in which the body had been wrapped. It took only one day. The sheet belonged to Emilienne Gerard, who often worked as housekeeper and all around girl to a butcher named Louis Voisin.

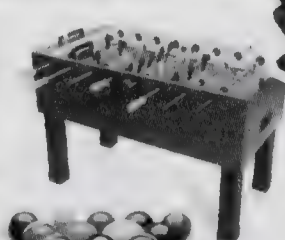


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The boys from Scotland Yard paid a visit to Louis' flat at 101 Charlotte St. Upon entering the kitchen, the detectives couldn't help but notice several bloodstains on the floor and walls. Initially, both Louis and Berthe denied even knowing that Emilienne was dead.

Louis was taken into custody and searched. The keys to a room in the cellar at 101 Charlotte were found in his possession. In the room, immersed in brine, police came across Emilienne's head and hands. Faced with these discoveries, Louis decided to talk.

He told detectives that he had known Emilienne for 18 months. For the past year she had been his housekeeper, but had lived in her own apartment. He had last seen Emilienne on Oct. 31, when she had told him she was going away to Southampton with a girlfriend. She asked him to feed her cat while she was away. He fed the cat on Nov. 2.

Scotland Yard wasn't that impressed with the cat story. They asked Louis to write down the words "Bloody Belgium" for them. Five times he wrote "Blodie Belgium".

That did it. Louis was charged with murder. Now that matters had taken a decidedly serious turn, he changed his story.

BLOOD EVERYWHERE

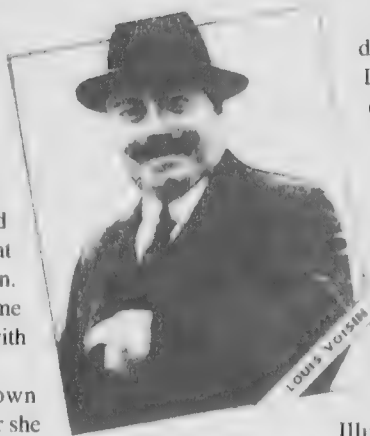
Louis claimed that on Nov. 1, he had visited Munster Square and had discovered Emilienne's head and hands on a table. There was blood everywhere. He went to work cleaning up the blood, but panicked and fled the premises. He had some vague idea that a trap had been set for him. Trap or no, Louis said that he had gone back to his house, eaten lunch and then returned to Munster Square to pick up Emilienne's head and hands.

No one believed Louis' version. The amount of blood in the dead woman's apartment couldn't possibly be reconciled with her having been killed there.

Conversely, the cellar room at 101 Charlotte St. was covered with blood. Pathologists who examined Emilienne's head concluded that a dozen blows had been inflicted to the skull, none of which had caused a fracture. This lent credence to the theory that Berthe had rained the blows to Emilienne's head, but it had been Louis who had strangled her.

A bloodstained towel was found in Louis' flat. Attached to the towel was one of Emilienne's earrings. It was this towel which had been used by Louis to strangle Emilienne.

Police established that Berthe Roche had not left 101 Charlotte St. since Oct. 31. She, too, was charged with murder.

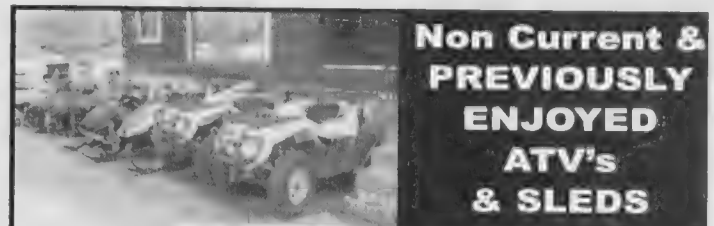


On Jan. 16, 1918, Louis stood trial at the Old Bailey. The trial dragged on, as every word had to be translated from English to French. Louis was found guilty and sentenced to hang. While he awaited his date with the hangman, his lover, Berthe, was found guilty of being an accessory after the fact of murder. She was sentenced to seven years imprisonment. The day after her sentencing, Louis Voisin was hanged at Pentonville Prison.

In prison, Berthe Roche went insane and was transferred to a hospital, where she died on March 22, 1919.

To receive an autographed copy of Max Haines's latest book, *The Spitting Champion of the World*, for \$41.99 each (including tax and shipping), please call 416-972-2258 or toll-free 1-877-624-1463.

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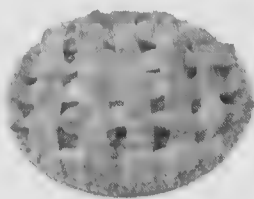
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Until recently, New York state law made it illegal to drive away after striking a horse, dog, or cow- but not a cat!

England's Oliver Cromwell (1599-1658) issued a ban against pies, regarding them as an unnecessary extravagance!

Bring An Ancestor, Artifact or Photograph

The popular "Bring an Ancestor" where members and guests "Show and Tell" with an artifact, photograph or whatever is the topic at the upcoming regular meeting of the Haliburton Highlands Genealogy Group that is taking place Wednesday, November 14 in the Common Room of the Minden Hills Cultural Centre. Everyone is welcome to these meetings and they are free to attend!!

Previous meetings have featured hand-made lace, a war diary, a china plate, an embroidered signature tablecloth and hand-drawn and computer-generated family trees.

Doors open at 6pm; regular meeting starts at 7pm. Refreshments including coffee and home-made cookies available. There will be a bring & win raffle. For more information contact Gail Leach-Wunker at 286-2225.

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One of the lawyers for the passengers said the damages were the highest ever awarded by a jury for purely emotional rather than physical injuries in a lawsuit over airline turbulence.

Evidence presented at trial showed that the aircraft was flying at about 37,000 feet about 25 miles west of Minneapolis when it encountered a severe thunderstorm. The seatbelt sign was off.

Passengers who were not wearing seatbelts were thrust from their seats, and the plane was forced to make an emergency landing in Chicago. The suit contended that American had ample warning of the storm but failed to turn on the seatbelt sign.

Although the turbulence lasted no more than twenty eight seconds (the airline contended it was in fact much shorter than that) the passengers made it sound as if they felt it would never end. Garry Bonner of Hackensack, N.J., a singer who was a co-writer of "Happy Together" for the Turtles, testified that the plane rose and fell repeatedly, and then made a dive, as if it had lost power and was falling out of the sky. "Everybody started gasping for breath," he said. "I could hear everybody gasping."

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Sentencing in Criminal Law

Punishment for crimes committed, of course, goes back millennia. The biblical phrase "an eye for an eye" readily comes to mind. In Canada, the criminal law, including the law of sentencing, derives almost entirely from the *Criminal Code* which was first enacted in 1892. The Code owed a great deal to English law and, prior to 1892, the criminal law of England, including its law of sentencing, applied to Canada.

Sentencing is the modern process for determining an appropriate sanction for a crime committed. Sentencing comes in various forms and in various degrees because the fundamental principle under the *Criminal Code* is that a sentence must be proportionate to the gravity of the offence and the degree of responsibility of the offender. Punishment has been the most common sanction throughout history because people viewed it as a retribution or revenge for the crime. It has a deterrent value as well. It is meant to deliver a message to the individual offender to deter him or her from future crime. It is also meant to be a general deterrence to others who may be contemplating crimes and know that punishment is the end result when caught.

Incarceration, the strictest form of sentencing, removes the criminal risk from society for the period of the sentence. Obvious examples are imprisonment for murderers and sex offenders. But, sentencing may include the positive element of post-offence rehabilitation, not just the negative element of deterrence. Rehabilitation will depend on the nature of the offence committed. Thus, a drunk driving conviction may require the offender to attend programmes on alcohol addiction and abuse. A "John" who is convicted for picking up a police officer posing as a prostitute invariably leads, in Toronto, to a "classroom" programme with other Johns conducted by a former prostitute who explains the world she came from.

As in most areas of the justice system, there is an element of discretion in sentencing which rests heavily on the shoulders of the judge. A judge must consider the many aggravating and mitigating factors in the decided cases when sentencing an offender. Aggravating factors include the brutality of the offence, the use of weapons, and multiple victims or incidents. Mitigating factors include a guilty plea, evidence of remorse, and prior good character. In the next column, I will be talking about credibility of a witness.

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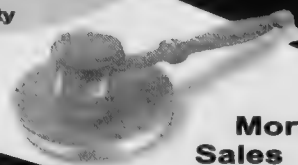
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"People are really pleased that they have this night-time opportunity," Katherine states. "Even some people in the day time courses come occasionally to make up for some classes that they might have missed. We're trying to be as flexible as we can by making the program open to everyone over 19 years of age."

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- Student Charlene Belle-Humeur, Instructor Bob Smith
- Student Mark Fennell, Student Audrey Barclay, Katherine Egleston
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years.
Academic Upgrading's mission is to provide a quality education for adult learners to develop the essential skills necessary to achieve academic, training, employability, or personal goals. Now, in addition to the day time courses there is the announcement of night classes, which address the needs of that portion of the population that for many and diverse reasons, cannot make classes during the day.

Katherine Egleston is the Co-ordinator of Academic Upgrading Program, the Training and Educational component of the Fleming College Training and Employment Resource Centre in Haliburton Village.

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It has been said that most people in North America change their career paths between 3 and 5 times in their life. But it's not always a matter of simply changing jobs. "They may need upgrading in math, English, or computer applications to get that better job, or to go on to post secondary education, where they can get the required training for another career," says Katherine.

"We also have students going to apprenticeship programs, and they need upgrading for that. People can walk out of here with the ACE certificate, which is a grade 12 equivalency, for the purposes of work, college or apprenticeship.

These Are Not Classes Like You Might Remember Them: One of the biggest turn-offs to traditional education for many people, is the

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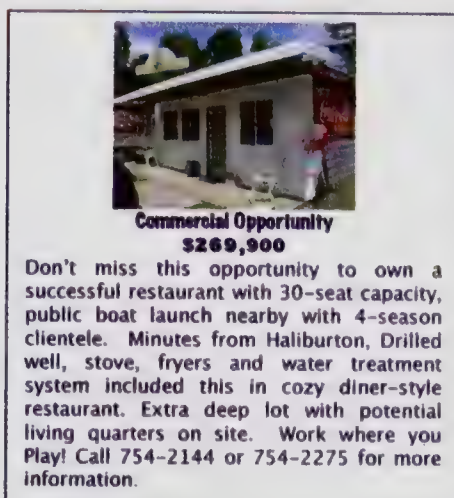
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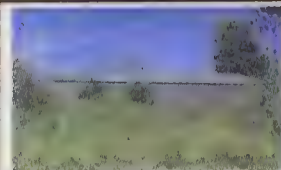
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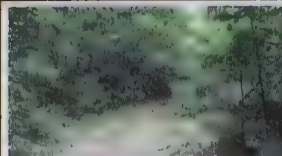
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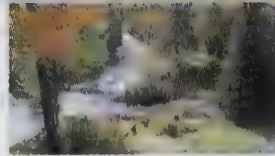
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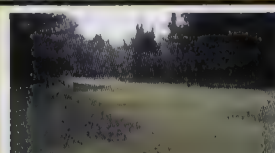
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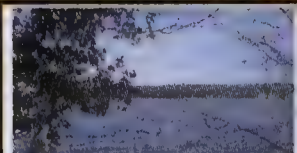
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Enjoy great swimming and big boating in this 3 bdr. cottage. Even has a fireplace for those cool winter evenings. Comes fully furnished...including a boat!

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True North' custom log home overlooking crown land. Close to Haliburton. Insulated garage, newer custom pine kitchen w/ antique cook stove on granite hearth, main flr laundry, screen porch, huge master bedrm w/ ensuite/jacuzzi tub, front covered veranda, wired for backup generator plus loads more.

Anthony vanLieshout ***



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Gorgeous 3 BR+den home/cottage on 2 acres w/ 300+ shoreline on Peach Lk. Cedar walls to a vaulted ceiling, breathtaking sunset view of lake enhances the L.R. Propane and wood fireplaces with main floor laundry. Bunkie & metal storage shed.

Barry Warren *



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Barry Warren *



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3 plus 1 bdrnm cottage/home on level lot with sand beach. cathedral ceiling in living room, dining room and kitchen, lake views from living room with patio doors to spacious deck. walkout from basement to lower patio area, extras include brick fireplace, airtight woodstove, central vacuum, drilled well.

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Marcia Prenger *



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Custom Built Home - \$299,900

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Chris & Michelle Smolartz *



Custom Built Home - \$249,900

2500 sq ft home open concept living & dining rm w/ cathedral ceilings. On year round maintained road close to all amenities, public swimming, golfing, and skiing. Very private lot natural & easy to maintain with a gazebo overlooking 3 koi ponds with a waterfall. Workshop and storage buildings.

Chris & Michelle Smolartz *



Beech Lake - \$719,900

Luxury spacious home with superior construction & stunning architectural features including hardwood floor, high cathedral pine ceilings w/ wooden beams, impressive stone fireplace. Well-manicured, level lot golden sand beach w/ southern exposure, and big lake view. Jimmy Connors tennis court.

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MartinWood Resort and Golf Welcome New Owners

Coming from the confines of Kent in England, to 800 wild acres in Haliburton County makes Nick Ashdown feel a bit like a pioneer. Nick is one of the new owners of MartinWood Resort and Golf on Elephant Lake Rd. Some people have heard of this resort, and certainly those people around Wilberforce and Harcourt have known about it, and frequented it, as long as it has been open to the public. But to most people in the county, and to most tourists to the area, it is a place that they know very little about. Nick and his cohorts plan to change all that, but first a bit of history about the place.

MartinWood Resort & Golf was originally established as a



logging company and was one of the largest hardwood operations in North America.

Grenville Martin, the owner of G.W. Martin Lumber Limited, grew up in Bancroft, Ontario to the sounds of his father Whitney's sawmill on Baptiste Lake. Grenville graduated from the National Hardwood Lumber Association Inspectors Training Course in Memphis, Tennessee, and continued to work in his father's mill as a lumber grader before buying his own logging truck in 1958, and subsequently also buying the sawmill and logging rights from his father. He then

employed new techniques, and opened one of the most modern mills in the country.

Sadly, at 48 years of age, he died in a plane crash in Brampton,

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Left to Right – Ken Fielding - President Subway Development Eastern and Northern Ontario, Dipa Shah and Peter Shah, 2006-2007 President's Award Recipients, Mike Lopez - Vice President Subway Development Eastern and Northern Ontario

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Ontario, October 17, 1984.

In tribute to Mr. Martin, on May 14, 1986 the MartinWood Office Building for G.W. Martin Lumber Company was opened, housing the office staff for the business.

Again sadly, without Grenville Martin's guidance, the business floundered and eventually closed in 1988. Mr. Mike Wade purchased the building and surrounding property from a consortium in December 1999, and converted it to the MartinWood Resort in June of 2000. Wade ran it until 2007 when it was purchased by a holding company in the UK. The Ashdown family and the Davison family have controlling interest in the holding company, and at the present time Nick Ashdown and his father Ian are in charge of the daily operations.

"We find the friendliness of the people and the lack of crime here is like it was in Britain 40 years ago," commences Nick, as an explanation in part, as to why the families decided to purchase the resort. "Which overcomes the lack of high speed and cell phone service," chimes in Dad Ian, with a good-natured laugh. "The pace of living is so different. We've had trouble getting quotes (for renovations). In England it takes place within 24 hours. Here you're lucky to get it within 2 weeks." Welcome to the Highlands.

In England the Ashdowns were the main franchisers in an internet property franchise business, with a do-it-yourself component, which enabled home-buyers to save on some of the costs of purchasing a home.

"My parents were a bit tired of living in England and decided to emigrate," continues Nick. "They were in Canada when they were younger. They were looking for a resort to buy in Ontario, and found the MartinWood on the internet. This is my first time in Canada. I haven't had much time to explore. I've been pretty busy. The scenery is spectacular. I've seen bears, deer and the back half of a moose, and I just recently caught a 3lb bass-it was delicious."

"Basically we're looking to continue as is," states Ian, "but to expand. We'd like to establish it as a conference centre, and we'd like to put up some cottages in the woods. Ultimately we'd like to become a condo hotel, which will make us a major employer in the area." The idea is for "cottages to be sold to single owners. When

they're not being used by the owners they will come back into the hotel rental program. The cottages will appeal to people in the U.K. and in Ontario who are looking for an investment. The cottages can be used to rent out to families and friends, and the monies realized from the rental will be split with the owner and the hotel. We guarantee a 7% on interest in the first year. We will look after all

maintenance considerations. We have planning permission to build 84 cottages. At the present time though we don't know exactly how many will be built. We have a 3-5 year plan. We'll form a management committee and a board of directors made up of the two owning family members, where younger members will become involved."

When talking about families and younger family members, Ian Ashdown knows what he's talking about. Nick at 27 is the

oldest of 6 children. Sara, who is the superintendent in charge of golf course maintenance, has a twin sister Rebecca. Then there's the triplets; Rachel, Matthew, and James, who are attending grade 11, at the high school in Haliburton. (Let's hope the boys can help

the soccer team score some goals). The other ownership family, the Davisons, are for the present time still in England, though they will be coming over in the Spring of 2008. They have two grown children of their own.

The property, all 8000 acres, includes an 18 hole, 6,100 yard, championship length, par 72 golf course which says Ian "is more like a British course; it's got character. It's

hilly, challenging and it has magnificent views. Oddly enough none



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of us plays golf, which is probably a good thing, as we're so busy." The property is on Benoir Lake which joins up with the Elephant Lake and Baptiste Lake system. In all there's about 35 miles of lake to explore. "There's an 18 room hotel, with Jacuzzi's in several of the rooms." Right now I'd rate the hotel at about 3 stars-we'd like to raise it up a star or two. We're concentrating a lot right now on the restaurant," continues Ian. "We've got a new chef Lorna Moore, and she's excellent-she's just done wonders. The dining room is now open from 8 am to 9 pm 365 days a year.

There's a full breakfast, consisting of bacon or sausage, 2 eggs, fries, and toast and jam for \$4.99. We're trying to bring a more European influence for dinner and we'll be introducing special ethnic nights featuring Indian, Spanish and Italian food. Don't worry you meat and potatoes people, there'll be lots of Canadian fare as well.

Separate from the restaurant there will be a renovated sports bar which will feature draught (draft) beer and large screen tv, which will show sports events from all over North America, as well as events like soccer, from around the world.

As far as outdoor activities go the sky's the limit for MartinWood patrons. "We're right on the E109 main county snowmobile trail, so were looking forward to that, says Nick." That'll be something for all family members, non of whom has ever been on a snowmobile. "We'll have both snowmobiles and ATV's for rent," Ian adds, "as well as motor boats and canoes. There's a great toboggan hill on the golf course, and we have some of the best cross-country skiing in Ontario. There will also be hot tubs for snowmobilers and skiers in the pool area, he assures."

The Ashdowns are aware of the history of the MartinWoods and how it's never really realized its immense potential. "Our biggest challenge," Ian admits "is regaining the faith of the locals in our restaurant. It's also a challenge to get people up here, because we're not on a main road."

"Though that's part of our charm," Nick states. Ian agrees, and adds, "We're not here for a quick buck, we're here for the long run. We're already applying to become Canadian citizens. We're going to give people real value for their money, in the restaurant, bar and gold course. The golf course is exceptional value-\$130 dollars for 4 players with two carts.

Grenville Martin and the company he formed are part of our heritage, and it would be great to see the Martin name get modern day

recognition. The MartinWood is a big undertaking, but with two families involved it might finally get the recognition it deserves, and become a major player in our community. Grenville Martin would probably like that.

The MartinWood Resort and Golf is located at 4727 Elephant Lake Rd. You can talk to Ian or Nick Ashdown at (705) 448-1920, or at info@martinwoodresort.com The web site, is www.martinwoodresort.com

Pictured: Nick Ashdown, chef Lorna Moore, Ian Ashdown; Owners Nick and Ian Ashdown and the MartinWood Resort and Golf; The golf course; Father and Son overlooking the course



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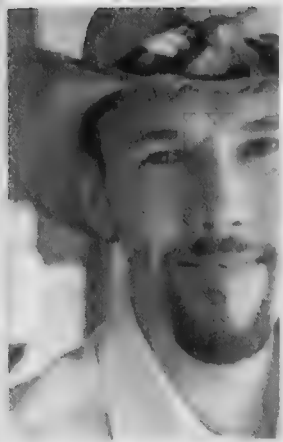
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Jonathan Byrd Coming to Haliburton

By Eric Lilius

My introduction to Jonathan Byrd was an album called *The Waitress*. that Corin Raymond of the Undesirables left when he and Sean Cotton played here in Haliburton in February.

Corin was enthusiastic about this guy and was hoping to get him to Canada for a tour.

We listened to the album and decided that Jonathan would be a wonderful performer to bring to Haliburton.

Corin got the tour together and now we have a great singer songwriter coming to play in the warm and cosy space of the Haliburton Highlands Museum.

He writes songs/ballads, like the best of John Prine, Stan Rogers, John Gorka, Eliza Gilkyson and Eric Bogle.

You have a chance to see and hear this rising star is taking place Saturday, November 3 at the Haliburton Highlands Museum, 66 Museum Road, Haliburton at 8:00 p.m. Tickets are \$15 including GST and are available at: Haliburton - York St Internet Café, 28 York St, Haliburton, (across from the Rails End Gallery), 705-457-8902 or Minden - Golden Stationers, 108 Main St (Bobcaygeon Road), 705-286-2110

Season Opens for Razzamataz Kids Shows



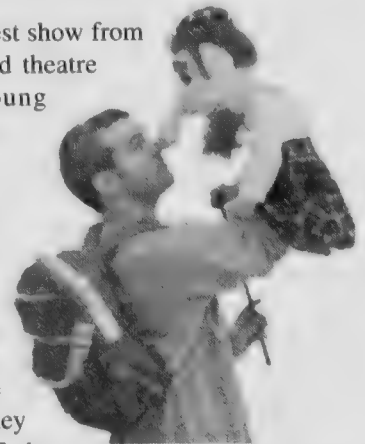
On Sunday, November 4, Razzamataz Kids Shows return with a fabulous 2007/2008 season. Due to illness, Emerita Emerencia will not be performing *Stories My Grandmother Told Me* as originally scheduled. Instead, Really Little Theatre will be traveling to

Haliburton to perform *I Heard a Story*. Really Little Theatre's unique blend of theatre, music, storytelling, dance, puppetry, mime and comedy has been delighting children and their families since 1991.

I Heard a Story is the newest show from this internationally acclaimed theatre that has enraptured young audiences across Canada.

This one person tour-de-force features music, puppetry, mime, comedy and lots of audience imagination and participation. The storyteller strides through the audience and commands the stage. He then takes the audience on a wonderful journey of tales, featuring stories from Italy, Canada and Russia. Using all of the elements that have made Really Little Theatre a favourite in theatres and schools around the world, *I Heard a Story* is a huge hit with audiences.

The show will begin at 2:00 p.m. in the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. Tickets are \$8 for adults, and \$6 for children (tickets for children under two years old are free). If you have not yet purchased season passes, they are \$20 per person. Tickets and season passes may be purchased at the door. For more information, please contact Stacey Bennett at 286-4511 or visit our website at www.razzamataz.ca.



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Highlands Media Arts Group Brings Video and Digital Media to Haliburton County

by George Farrell

There was a time in Haliburton County when there were no books, or methods of printing. People depended on outside sources. Eventually of course we got libraries, and the hardware to print text.

A similar thing took place with moving images, a more modern form of communication. All our methods of seeing moving images, until very recently, were dependent on outside sources for their original content, whether it was movies and programming via tv and the theatres, or video rentals and purchases. We had no way of telling our own stories by way of film or video.

Technological breakthroughs in capturing images digitally, via user-friendly and affordable video cameras, as well as computer software editing programs, have made it possible for Highlands residents to produce their own videos. But having the necessary hardware and software is only part of what's required to produce a video that can inform, enlighten and entertain. There's still the element of learning how to compose your images in such a way to optimize the effect of your finished video, movie or documentary.

We now have people with the required knowledge, and the will to pass it on. We also have the framework in place by which emerging videographers and movie makers, or those who are merely interested in the art form, can practice and improve their visual storytelling techniques. Here's how it came about.

A Short History of Video In the County

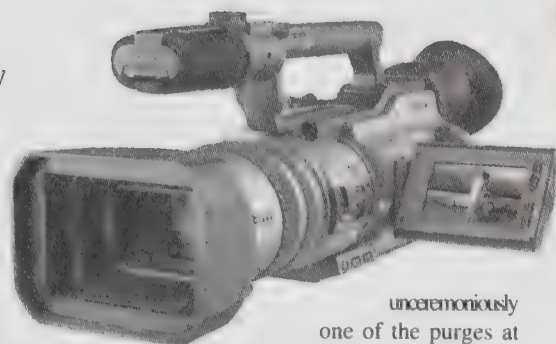
In 1994, while I was working at the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (CBC), and living in the Highlands, I made a video for the corporation which focused on why people with a disability would want to live in a rural environment, far away from essential services. This was before we had our two new hospitals. I shot the video in and around Haliburton and Minden. It aired nationally on the CBC several times. To the best of my knowledge it was the first video to be aired, which was made in the

Highlands, and which featured local people. A couple of years later, after being

dumped through the CBC, I found

myself contemplating what to do with my time and my talent. I hit upon the idea of bringing a real video presence to the county, which at that time did not have such a thing. I formed an organization called *Highlands Video Projects*. The goals of that organization were: produce a promotional video for the Highlands; produce a tv commercial of our county; develop an education component, whereby I, and other identified professionals, could teach the video arts to interested students; and establish a film and video festival for Haliburton.

The *Highlands Video Projects* consisted of a committee made up of Carol Moffatt, Diane Graham, Sue Shikaze, and myself. We were under the umbrella of the Haliburton County Community Co-operative (the Co-op). Through the Co-op, and with the financial assistance of The Haliburton County Development Corporation, Human Resources Development Canada, and the County of Haliburton, funds were raised for both the purchase of a professional-quality video camera, and to pay me for the research, development, and production of a 20 minute promotional video for the Haliburton Highlands. That video 'Haliburton



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Highlands, A Natural Work of Art, was shot throughout the four seasons of 2003, and was finished in the spring of 2004. The video was shown on CHEX tv and affiliated stations, and is still available in dvd form at retail outlets throughout the county. To date over 600 of the promotional dvd's have been distributed.

The tremendous amount of work in the production of the promo' video, the subsequent manufacturing of the dvd's and the packaging, distribution and advertising of them, showed me that we needed a re-think, in order for the rest of the aims of the *Highlands Video Projects* to become a reality. My main strength lies in production-I'm a video producer. I had to go to Toronto to edit the promo' video, and that was a very arduous process. What we needed was more experienced technical assistance. More than anything we needed an editor who lived in the county. We also needed someone who had high energy, and skill in dealing with people and organizations, in order to move the process along more efficiently, and for us to reach our goals.

Shortly after the promo' video was completed I attended a seminar on

bringing art into the classrooms. Sitting next to me was a woman I'd never met named Tammy Rea, who just happened to be a video editor, as well as a producer of her own short videos. I quickly told her of the video projects. She was very interested, and needless to say she was quickly recruited. I breathed a huge sigh of relief, as it came immediately apparent that in Tammy we had found many of the missing ingredients which we so sorely needed. Furthermore, she would free me up to concentrate on video production. In 2005 The Highlands Video Projects, which was mainly a production-based organization, was transformed into Highlands Media Arts (HMA), which was more diverse in its outlook.

So that's the background to the forming of HMA. Read on to find out what we're all about, and some of the things we've accomplished.

What We Offer At Highlands Media Arts

Highlands Media Arts (under the Co-op umbrella), is a not-for-profit group that encourages the use of digital video and new media in Haliburton County through creation, education and exhibition.

Creation

We are committed to the preservation of local heritage with an ongoing collection of data which we archive. We also have full production capabilities and can produce videos from beginning to end. Our group is committed to the preservation of local heritage. We have a vast video data base of local interest archives. This material can be accessed by community organizations or by individuals wishing to use the video footage as part of their own productions.

HMA has produced videos for a variety of organizations, including the County of Haliburton, The Arts Council, The Stanhope Museum, The Haliburton Highlands Health Services, The Doctors Recruitment Committee, and the Minden Hills Cultural Centre. HMA also produces videos for private clients. It's hoped that in the future the more entertaining of these HMA productions will be shown to the public.

Exhibition and Events

Offering *Those Other Movies* and Jump Cut viewing, as well as the Haliburton International Film Festival an annual event which was held October 19, 20 & 21st at the Molou Theatre.

Be sure to keep an eye on '*Those Other Movies*' web site for up-to-date information on movies, documentaries, and the film festival.

Education

Offering information and resources on how to produce your own video, and use of equipment, with qualified instructors. Courses can be designed for personal, group or classroom applications. For youth we offer the Video Club.

'*The 48 Challenge*,' is an annual happening which sees people who are interested in making short videos learn how to shoot, structure and edit their projects within 48 days. Professionals in the field were there at the inaugural event this year to help the participants at each stage of production.

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The entertaining videos these fledgling film makers produced were shown to an appreciative audience at the Kinmount Theatre. Chris King, adjudicated as the winner of the first 48 Challenge, has subsequently gone on to be mentored by HMA and is helping with the production of videos of Michael Fay's musical 'The Last of the Great White Pine.'

The production of anti-smoking videos by high school students, was also accomplished with the assistance of HMA.

Equipment Rental

A full video-editing suite and computer is available. We also have cameras, scanners, blue screen, a projector and more.

All of HMA's equipment is affordable to help independent artists produce high quality videos on an artist's budget. In addition, HMA provides a discount on community-based projects.

In order to rent equipment from HMA, or to hire an instructor, please contact the Agnes Jamieson Gallery at the Minden Cultural Centre (705) 286-3763. Bookings can also be made through highlandsmidiaarts@hotmail.com

HMA has made great strides, and we have accomplished those aims that I first set down on paper in 1996, namely: a promotional video of the Highlands, a tv commercial of our county, an education component, and a film and video festival for Haliburton. HMA has a vibrant and hard-working committee that promises even more for the future.

The committee members are Tammy Rae (who was voted chairperson), Laurie Carmount, Carol Moffatt, Michael Fay and George Farrell. Eric Lilius is the technical advisor. Our group brings a wonderful diverse set of skills and backgrounds to the table, and HMA would not succeed without the richness of talents of our committee. Laurie's artistic viewpoint, Carol's insight into business/committee/volunteer organizations and Michael's talent for writing. Eric is a great source of comfort when our equipment goes wonky. It is this well-roundedness that is bringing HMA to life. I would personally like to thank our great committee members, and on behalf of us all, the following people and organizations, for helping to make it happen: Andy Campbell and the CED committee of HCDC, Jim Blake and the Co-op, The County of Haliburton, The Minden Hills Cultural Centre, and most of all, the people of Haliburton County, who have supported our products, projects and productions.

For more information on Highlands Media Arts, Those Other Movies, and the Haliburton International Film Festival (and our sponsors) call: (705) 286-4179, or email: highlandsmidiaarts@hotmail.com. Additional and updated information can be found on the web site www.haliburton-movies.com

Pictured are the HMA committee members

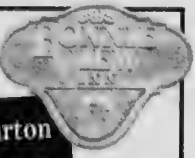
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Just about everyone remembers the excitement of a special night out at the movies, whether it was the first evening show as a child, the first date with a future spouse, or the first time seeing the best movie ever! Keeping with the great interest and enthusiasm for Those Other Movies in Haliburton this exhibition is educational and interesting. The theatre regulatory files held by the Archives of Ontario tell the many stories of individual theatres and offer clues for tracing the evolution of social attitudes: including unexpected revelations about the social mores of an earlier time. Over 40 theatres (most no longer in existence) are featured in this exhibition from across Ontario. Visitors will find their old community theatre in one of them. The show will be featuring incredible black and white photos of the interior and exterior of movie houses on informative panels along with historical theatre objects. Show up for entertaining evenings of fun black and white small films including 'America's Sweetheart' Marie Pickford.

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A Mission to Improve Women's Health

The Haliburton Highlands Family Health Team is on a mission to
improve women's health as they unveil their "Wise Women" health care
program. The event, which takes place November 17, features special
guest, Cora Whittington, a recognized leadership and life coach, facilitator
and entrepreneur. She will answer the question, What is the secret to an
enjoyable workplace?"

"More and more women are looking for ways to keep healthy. It is our
goal to provide women with greater knowledge and access to information
about their health," says Connie Wood RN, Healthy Living Coordinator
and event organizer.

"Wise Women" is an event that offers a fun and comfortable environment
where women of all ages can learn pro-active healthy living strategies for
themselves and their families."

The Peterborough Women's Health Care Centre will attend the "**Wise
Women**" event at Fleming College, Haliburton Campus. Their experts on
women's health will host workshops that include: - How women can
cope with hormone changes; - Advice on the effects of yo-yo dieting.

The lunch will be followed by an entertaining session called "Laugh
Yourself Healthy," featuring Melanie Jackson from the Canadian Mental
Health Association. At the end of the day, Sylvia Holland from Wind in
the Willows Day Spa will conclude the event by sharing secrets to soothe
the soul.

"The Family Health Team is delighted to sponsor an event of this
nature as it allows us to reach out to women and empower them with
tools to improve their health," says Beth Archibald, Executive Director,
Haliburton Highlands Family Health Team.

Wise Women Event Details - Date: Saturday, November 17, 2007;
Location: Fleming College, Haliburton; Time: 9:30 pm - 3:30 pm;
Luncheon Tickets: \$15.00; Registration: Tickets for this exciting event
can be purchased at Kitchen's Etc. in Haliburton or at Campbell's Garden
Centre in Minden. If you need more details call the Family Health Team
at 286-2500 and ask for Judy.

Ontario Early Years Centres



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Ontario Early Years Events

Highlands Parent-Child Mother Goose Program – Minden continues to November 20. – A fun, friendly, relaxed morning for parents and children from newborn to 21/2 years, learning rhymes, songs, and stories together. Discover new ways to deal with fussy times; help your child meet and play with other children, and improve language skills. Ask about our childcare program for your older siblings. To register please drop-in at the Minden OEYC or call Bev at 286-4625 or Claire at Point in Time Centre for Children, Youth and Parents 457-5345.

Move and Groove continues until Nov.5 Meet at the Minden OEYC 10:30 a.m. Mondays. – Parents and their children (still using a stroller) will walk together, learn about the importance of physical activity, gain tips to stay motivated, and have fun while enjoying the sights of Minden! Older siblings can take part in a supervised program at the centre during the walk. For more information contact the Minden centre at 286-1770.

Play and Learn in Wilberforce with the Ontario Early Years Mobile Outreach. Lloyd Watson Centre - November 8 and 22. Drop-in and see us every other Thursday at the Lloyd Watson Centre from 9:30 am to 12:00 pm. Parents and children 0 – 6 years will enjoy activities, crafts, and active circle times; toy and book lending; ideas to help keep kids healthy and safe; nutritional snacks; and guest speakers. Call 457-2989.

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Haliburton OEYC - Fun at the Zoo - Monday Mornings Nov. 5 to Nov. 26 10:00 am - 11:00 am. Call for more information 457-2989

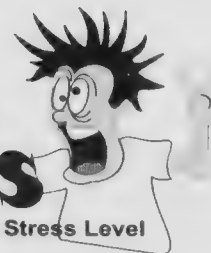
Minden OEYC - Dinosaurs - Thursday Mornings Nov. 1 to Nov. 22 - 10:00 am - 11:00 am. Call for more information 286-1770.

Ontario Early Years Parent Talk Time - Parenting with Less Stress Thurs. Nov. 1 from 10:00 to 12:00 - Haliburton OEYC

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Child Abuse Remains A Major Problem In Ontario

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- nearly a third of all investigations of abuse (32%) involved exposure to domestic violence;
- 27% involved neglect;
- 15% involved emotional abuse;
- 10% were physical abuse cases; and
- 3% involved sexual abuse." (OACAS, October 2007)

Children suffer abuse or neglect when an adult, caregiver, family friend or stranger physically hurts or sexually molests a child, fails to provide proper care or deprives a child of support and affection. Too many

children in our communities are suffering abuse at the hands of adults they know and trust. That's why, for the past 15 years, Ontario's Children's Aid Societies have been educating and building awareness during October - Child Abuse Prevention Month - to ensure children and youth are safe, healthy and well cared for. This year, our theme is "Abused children don't always look it" to remind the public that child abuse isn't always obvious. Ontarians can learn more about child abuse, how to recognize the subtle and obvious signs of abuse and how to report it at useyourvoice.ca.

According to statistics on child welfare in Ontario, OACAS reports that child abuse is still a problem.

• Ontario's Children's Aid Societies responded to 43,290 inquiries about children's safety and well-being, positive parenting and community services support.

• CASs received 78,581 calls from people in the community concerned about suspected child abuse and neglect.

• CASs investigated 82,346 referrals from families, teachers, doctors and neighbours concerned about the protection, safety and well-being of children and youth at risk of abuse and neglect.

• 29,385 children were in need of substitute care from Ontario's Children's Aid Societies.

• 7,518 foster homes provided family-based care for children in Ontario.

• More than 7,979 (FTE*) social workers, child and youth workers and administrative and professional staff are employed by Ontario's 53 Children's Aid Societies to serve their communities in protecting children and strengthening families.

Throughout October the Kawartha Haliburton Children's Aid Society joins other Children's Aid Societies across the province collaborating in efforts to educate the public and build awareness of child abuse and neglect in Ontario communities through this integrated, provincial Purple Ribbon Campaign encouraging individuals to "Use Their Voice" and speak up about children at risk of harm. The public and community professionals are not only encouraged to report both actual and suspected cases of child abuse but are obligated by law through the Child and Family Services Act to make such reports to their local CAS through duty to report legislation, in hopes of preventing and minimizing the devastating effects of child abuse and neglect. Early intervention and prevention of child abuse and neglect is necessary and important to alleviate its incidence. Even the most subtle signs of abuse should be reported to CAS so that efforts may be made to prevent any risk of neglect, physical, sexual or emotional harm.

Locally the Kawartha-Haliburton Children's Aid Society has three offices located in Haliburton, Lindsay and Peterborough. From April 1, 2007 to September 30, 2007 the KHCAS has received 1893 reports of maltreatment with 365 concerns of domestic violence; 134 concerns of alcohol/drug misuse; 329 concerns physical/sexual harm; 164 concerns of parent/child conflict; 506 concerns of neglect; 177 concerns of parental issues/problems.

Unfortunately this prevalence shows the need for further education and awareness needed within our communities to help identify child abuse as well as continued collaboration between services to develop strategies to alleviate dynamics that ultimately prevent its occurrence. Contact your local KHCAS office for material, information or request a presentation from one of our staff. You may do so by contacting: Haliburton office at 705-457-1661; Lindsay Office at 705-324-3594 or the Peterborough Office at 705-743-9751.

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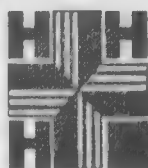
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Kawartha Haliburton Children's Aid Society is Inviting Public Participation

The protection of vulnerable children is an issue of concern to a wide range of people in our community. Children, parents, neighbours and professionals are, from time to time, concerned about the safety and care of vulnerable children. The Board of Directors of Kawartha Haliburton Children's Aid Society is looking for ways to work in partnership with



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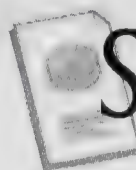
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people in Peterborough County, Haliburton County and the City of Kawartha Lakes who are interested in this problem. The Board of Directors therefore wishes to give individuals, who share this concern, an opportunity to participate at the planning and decision making level of the organization by inviting them to serve on Board committees.

The work of the Board of Directors is conducted by three committees: Strategic Positioning (responsible for reviewing issues

and trends at the local and provincial level and proposing the Society's strategic directions), Agency Governance and Public Relations (responsible for the Society's governance framework and policies, and its public relations policies and plans), Finance and Human Resources (responsible for developing and monitoring the Society's budget and human resource plan). These committees are comprised of both Board and community members and meet for two hours each month in Peterborough at a time convenient to committee. Community members can serve on a committee for two three year terms.

The Board will consider individuals who have experience and an interest in any of these areas. For more information contact Laura Ross Administrative Assistant to the Board of Directors at 705-743-9751 Ex 298 or send your resume to the following address by November 2, 2007: Laura Ross, Kawartha Haliburton Children's Aid Society, 1100 Chemong Road, Peterborough, Ontario, K9K 7S2, Fax #: 705-743-9760



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Ghost Stories

Scary Tales

The following is a fun little column for those who like ghost stories... Whether these are true or not we don't know, but they are stories told by those who believe they saw real ghosts!! If anything, they do make for interesting little stories... enjoy...



East Riddleston Hall

There are reputedly several ghosts that haunt this seventeenth century manor house, the most famous being the 'Gray Lady'. This woman is thought to be the wife of a previous Lord of the Manor.

She has been seen walking along the corridors of the house, wandering from room to room as if searching for someone or something.

According to the owners of the house, the lady's husband came home one day to find her in the arms of another man. He quickly locked his wife in a room and walled up her lover. Eventually, both of them starved to death and it is now thought that when the 'Gray Lady' appears she is looking for her lost love. The unfortunate young man is said to appear as a ghostly figure at the window of the bricked-up room where he died.

Another ghost, known as the 'White Lady', has been seen walking around the lake in the grounds of the house. She too once lived at the Hall and supposedly was thrown from her horse whilst hunting. Her body was never found and it is believed that she drowned in the lake where she is now frequently seen.

The fourth ghost is a phantom coachman who was believed to have been dragged into the lake by his horses. He has been seen wandering around the water, presumably looking for his lost coach and horses.

There is a 300 year-old wooden cradle in one of the bedrooms of East Riddleston Hall that is said to rock of its own accord each New Year's Eve. It is rumored that the 'Gray Lady' herself is rocking the cradle.

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Dumb Criminals

The Washed Up Plumber: Okay, this dumb criminal hits close to home - it's a true story of a true "Dumb Criminal" that just happened last week.

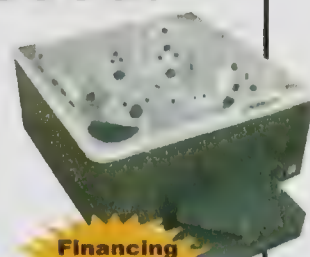
My son is living in Ottawa with some roommates. They had a leak in their plumbing and called the landlords who in turned called a local Ottawa area plumber. The plumber arrived at the house with no one home - proceeded to kick in the door - fix the plumbing problem and walk out with DJ equipment, computers and other identifiable objects. Police were called when all arrived home and noticed the break in (and fixed plumbing). Police suspected the plumber right away based on the boot prints around the house and on the kicked in door. They immediately went to the home of the plumber where they found all the stolen items. Police noted that the plumber lived in a very nice house - complete with nice in-ground swimming pool etc... Break, enter and theft Charges were laid - I guess this is one plumber who's career just might be down the toilet when word gets out !!! How stupid can you be!!!! The boys got their stuff back and I got a dumb criminal story out of the ordeal. The plumber ... he's not getting paid for the pumbing work he did !!!

RETURN CUSTOMER: When Tristan Ellis, 18, appeared before Northern Territory (Australia) Supreme Court Justice Dean Mildren to face breaking-and-entering charges, Mildren saw that he had been arrested before — on 28 counts — but had been released on bail. While he was out, he racked up 17 more counts. Judge Mildren demanded to know who "the idiot" was that granted such a "lowlife crime" bail. A check of court records found the idiot was none other than Judge Mildren. ...Well, if Ellis can get a second chance, maybe Mildren can too.

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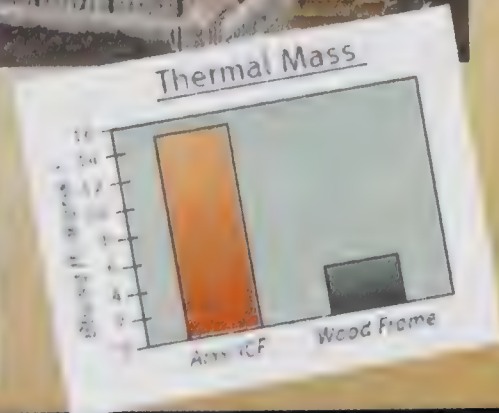
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Minden Community Forum Announcement Next Meeting Focuses on "Youth Needs and Opportunities in Minden"

The following announcement will be of special interest to young people who attend school, live, work or play in the Minden community, as well as to parents, grandparents and others who are concerned about opportunities for our youth.

The Minden Community Forum has held four very successful Forums which focused on different topics of importance to our community. If you missed those Forums, be sure not to miss our fifth Forum on Wednesday November 7th, the much anticipated topic being "Youth Needs And Opportunities In Minden".

"Children should be seen and not heard" no longer applies in our community. And thank goodness! In fact, our young people will have a lot to say at our next Community Forum. The grade 4 to 8 student population at Archie Stouffer Elementary School here in Minden, with the guidance of their Principal and grade 8 teachers, have given considerable thought to "Youth Needs And Opportunities", and will be presenting their viewpoints to the community. You can also express your views during the "Open Forum" portion of the meeting ... no matter what your age.

Come out to this the fifth in a series of "Minden Community Forums" on Wednesday November 7th at Minden United Church at 7:30PM. Loretta Kerr and Holly Wu, "The Co-Prime Ministers Of Archie Stouffer Elementary School Student Council" will be presenting the viewpoints of the grade 4-8 student population. Rick Cox, Director Of Community Services with the Township Of Minden Hills who is very supportive of our youth will review some of the initiatives the Township is working on, as well as getting some feedback and suggestions on what the priorities are. Heather Reid from "U-Links" will be filling in for Jack Brezina as Moderator at this Forum.

Everybody young or old, don't let our youngsters down. Let's keep the feeling of "community" in Minden strong, and get back "in the know" by attending this and future Forums.

Hear their vision and ask your questions at the "Minden Community Forum" on Wednesday November 7th at 7:30P.M. at Minden United Church,

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- On Thursday, November 1 at 6 pm in Haliburton Village.
- On Wednesday, November 7, at 10:30 am in Minden.
- On Thursday, November 8 at 1 pm in Haliburton Village.

For locations and to pre-register, call the local Health Unit office at (705) 457-1391, ext. 245.

"Every time we go into a grocery store, we are bombarded with nutrition information and claims that this product or that brand is the healthiest," says Rosie Kadwell, a Registered Dietitian with the HKPR District Health Unit. "The Supermarket Tour is designed to help people separate nutritional fact from fiction so they can make wise buys when they go grocery shopping."

By joining Kadwell on the Supermarket Tour, participants will learn how to read food labels, understand claims made on food products and make the healthiest choices for their family when filling up their grocery carts. Special reference will be made to Eating Well With Canada's Food Guide (www.healthcanada.gc.ca/foodguide) as the basis to plan meals and make up grocery lists.

At the end of the Supermarket Tour, participants will receive a take-home Shopper's Guide booklet and additional nutrition information.



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Child Find Gooderham Working on Prevention

By Terrance Gavan

The statistics are staggering, scary and sobering.

In Canada, over 60,000 cases of missing children are reported to the police annually, with more than 20,000 of these cases in Ontario.

That's an average of 54 missing children a day in our province alone. A good percentage of these abductions fall into the gray area of spousal conflicts, but too many involve that most staggering of familial tragedies: the abduction of a child by stranger on the street or through Internet luring.

Child Find Ontario, affiliated with Child Find Canada, has been a force in the search and recovery of missing children since 1984. Their motto: "Some things can't be replaced" thuds like a mallet, hammering home with Thor's Norse clarity, the devastation involved.

The missing child, a parent's worst nightmare, remains as one of the benchmarks against which modern western societies measure their clarity of purpose. How we respond to this most elemental of losses often gets measured against our basic humanity.

The "Amber Alert" warning system on our 400-Series highways rests as a beacon and a bellwether signaling just how serious we are, as a society of like-minded Ontarians, about this seminal problem.



I was once traveling on the 401 and saw an Amber Alert. I tuned to the news channel. Hair stood on the back of my neck as I listened for the description of the car. I looked around and saw tightened jaws on the faces of slow-moving commuters. Like me they were surveying the lanes of tightly packed vehicles.

Like me, they were searching into the horizon for that van mentioned in the Amber Alert.

For the rest of that ride I felt united in a joined purpose with this crowd of otherwise anonymous fellow travelers.

Child Find Ontario is just one of many support agencies that seeks to redress and reduce the incidence of such evocative tragedies.

Offering Streetproofing And Fingerprinting Clinics

Gooderham resident, Jennifer Horner and a group of seven other dedicated volunteers from the Gooderham and Irondale area recently set up a Child Find Community Link.

Horner is new to the area, has a young family of her own, and was looking for a way to get involved in her new community. "This is an excellent opportunity to become involved in an important program," says Horner, who adds that they are looking for volunteers from other points in the area.

Horner, the Community Link Coordinator, says that there are many opportunities for people to become involved, whether by offering their time in Streetproofing clinics or by offering to provide other services. "Child Find gets no government funding," says Horner. "We rely on volunteers and you can get involved in a lot of areas."

The Child Find Ontario website says that, "Child Find is supported by corporations, community groups, individuals, foundations and special events. All provincial operations and their local chapters are budgeted to be self-funding."

It goes on to explain that, "Child Find is the oldest, largest and most comprehensive missing children's agency in Canada. And thanks to our staff, volunteers, generous supporters and the collaborative work of police, media and communities, we've helped to recover over 90% of the missing children we search for every year."

Child Find is probably best known for their recovery work, placing pictures of missing children in strategic locations, on transport trucks, on the web and on various correspondence from supportive companies.

They have photographs featured on CIBC, Rogers Cable, Royal & Sun Alliance billing envelopes that reach over 5 million homes each month.

Prevention And Proactive Work Is The Key

Horner says that, because Child Find's most visible public presence is

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Streetproofing Solutions and Safer Surfing

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in the public poster programs and the high profile recovery work, many people are not aware of their tremendous work behind the scenes working with prevention.

"We're in a small community and our work is based on prevention, and providing parents and children with information to prevent child abduction," says Horner.

Horner says that the members of the Gooderham Community Link recently attended a Streetproofing training seminar and they came back from the experience armed with the requisite tools to offer their services in the local communities.

"We have a large area to cover," says Horner. "We can take our clinics to Kinmount, Haliburton, Wilberforce and even to Bancroft if we're asked."

Indeed on Monday, October 22, the group offered a seminar to the Ontario Early Years center in Haliburton. They have plans in the works to attend fairs and will also be on hand at the Baby Expo in West Guilford. "We eventually want to offer our services in area schools as well," says Horner.

"The Clinics are always geared to the ages of the children involved," explains Horner. "All of our services are provided free of charge."

They offer The "All About Me" Baby I.D. Foot Printing and Safety Information Program. It's a program that involves parents in the identification of their infants.

For the older children they offer KidCheck Finger Printing and Safety Information Clinics.

Fingerprints Not Kept On Record

Horner says that a lot of parents hear "fingerprints or footprinting" and it sets off some alarms. But she says that there's no hint of 'Big Brother' involved in the strategy.

"It's really important for parents to realize that we keep nothing. The fingerprints are kept in a booklet that we hand out at our events," says Horner, who says that the 16-page booklet can be a very useful tool in helping police with their initial investigations should a child go missing. "The booklets are kept by the parents and the fingerprints would only be given out by them if they decide to give it to the police to aid in an investigation."

Horner says the booklet is there strictly as a reference document and it operates as a diary of a child's interests.

"Along with fingerprints, or footprints, the booklet can also have pictures as well as information on your child which may be used if a child goes missing," says Horner.

"The booklet is a really good idea... it asks a lot of questions... like hobbies, favorite places, friends and interests," explains Horner.

Horner says that it offers common-sense applications for parents and it's a guide to location should a child go missing. As she says, it's no use looking for a missing child on a basketball court if that child is more interested in reading at the library.

And it may sound simple, but imagine how helpful a tool like this could

be in the critical 3 hours following a possible abduction.

Instead of parents wasting valuable time attempting to remember poignant points in their child's regimen, while staring at an OPP constable scribbling notes, they could simply retrieve the book and provide the investigative authorities with some pivotal information and insight.

"Along with a diary of friends the booklet would also contain an up-to-date photo, the fingerprints, any birthmarks or scars, the height, weight and eye color," says Horner.

They say that the first hours following an abduction or luring are crucial. Horner says the booklet could provide police with an invaluable investigative tool in that critical window.

Again, says Horner, the booklets and the fingerprinting clinics are all provided free of charge and as she says, it's a simple tool that could fill a very critical void in the event of an abduction.

Horner says that Child Find is also emphasizing the increasing incidence of "Internet luring" and all of the seedy implications conjured by that phrase.

"Streetproofing is age-specific and we offer different strategies for different age groups," says Horner. For children under-5 we are focusing

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Child Find Creating Recipe Book as Fundraiser

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on the parents. For older children we offer information to cover scenarios like Internet safety, bullying and babysitting rules," adds Horner.

"For instance, with younger children we will teach them how to dial 911," says Horner. "We do role-playing as well and teach them how to talk with a 911 operator."

"We also teach young children about the buddy system, especially for kids who are ages 4, 5 and 6," says Horner. Indeed, most scenarios seem to stress that abductors mainly target children who are alone.

"Again, in the cases of young children, we are mainly 'streetproofing' the parents," says Horner.

A lot of the information may seem self-evident, but as Horner says, children are often more trusting than they should be, especially on the Internet.

The Child Find Ontario website does offer a pretty comprehensive set of rules for the Internet.

It warns kids and teens to "Never send a photograph of yourself to someone in email unless your parents say it's OK; Check with your parents or another adult you trust before going into a chat room. Different chat rooms have different rules and attract different kinds of people. You and your parents will want to make sure it's an appropriate place for

you."

As Horner explains, a lot of the Internet rules do specify that a parent become involved with the child's surfing practices. Proactive parents, especially parents who take an active interest in their child's computer routine may prevent a tragedy.

The website says that common sense insists that, "a child should never agree to meet someone they met on the Internet in person without a parent's permission." This is one of the scenarios where Horner says: streetproofing applies equally to the parent and child involved.

One doesn't have to look too far to realize that the Internet has taken over from the local playground as the abductors' favorite lurking place.

Dig Out Your Favorite Recipes – Kids Grab Your Crayons!

Horner says that they will be forging new links as the Gooderham Child Find Link becomes more entrenched. They meet once a month for strategy and planning sessions and as Horner says, their future plans involve more work with local events and schools.

She has also approached the local OPP detachment in Minden as part of their mandate.

"I've been in touch with the OPP and their Community Service Officer Mark McMaster and he's interested in working with us," says Horner.

She adds that any local truckers in the area can become involved in the effort by volunteering their trucks. Child Find Ontario produces posters for dozens of transport trucks traveling across North America.

And since the various Community Link Chapters in Ontario also become involved to some degree in their own fundraising initiatives, Horner would like to issue a challenge to all budding and accomplished chefs in the area.

If you have an old family recipe, or if you have a special dish, dessert or pie that you feel comfortable parting with, please write it down and send it off to the Gooderham Child Find Community Link. (Contact info will be located at the bottom of this article.)

Horner says that the group wants to compile a cookbook that they will sell in support of Child Find Ontario.

As part of that same project, Horner says that they would also like to get the kids involved by staging a coloring contest for the cookbook.

"We are looking for any recipes - appetizers, main dishes, desserts, miscellaneous, like preserves, drinks, sauces - as well as cooking for a crowd, large-quantity recipes," says Horner.

"And the cover contest is open to all kids. The theme is 'cooking in the kitchen with kids'. The winner will have their picture used as the cover of the cookbook. We would like to have all recipes and pictures in by the end of November."

And while you're pondering this challenge, try to remember the times in your life when the tears of a grieving mother moved you.

And keep in mind the onerous message on the banner of each page of the Child Find website.

"Some things can't be replaced."

Contact Child Find Gooderham and Jennifer Horner via: Child Find Gooderham, Box 292, Gooderham, ON, K0M1R0 - Send recipes and drawings via email to: gooderhamchildfind@gmail.com - Find the Child Find Ontario website at: <http://www.ontario.childfind.ca>

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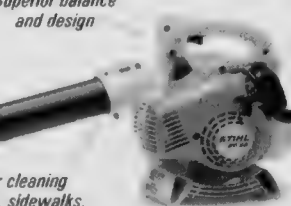
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Dancing Along the White Trail

with Marci Mandel

I read an interview in the quarterly *Parabola* with a Kenyan woman, Wangari Maathai, who won the Nobel Peace Prize in 2004. She talked about Mount Kenya and how the Kikuyu people around the mountain were overwhelmed by its beauty and power and thought that God must live there. So they protected and revered it.

But then the missionaries came, and her people were persuaded to believe that "God does not live in Mount Kenya. God lives in heaven." And when that separation was internalized, it became easy for industrialists to cut down the forest and plough the land. The concept of having 'dominion over' was new to them, for they were taught to be stewards of the land. Soon "they found themselves literally at the mercy of the forces of those dominators."

I found the interview to be quite telling and perhaps a clue as to why the world is filled with so much fear and anger these days. It's like we've forgotten who we are. We've forgotten that kindness and harmony don't come from somewhere up in heaven but are right here within each and every one of us. The spirit of a human being, *our humanness*, is witnessed not in dominating over one another but in coming together in community for the common good of all.

Everywhere I look on the trail I see examples of compassion and interdependence. This makes me believe that kindness and harmony are in fact not only *our* true nature but the nature of *life itself*. Flowers are the source of life for bees and butterflies. Trees are the source of life for squirrels and birds. Streams are the source of life for fish and otters. If everything on this planet is a source of life for others, why would we human beings not understand that we are a source of life too? Goodness and kindness aren't gifts from above; we were born with them in us to give freely in order to nurture and be stewards of each other. That's the Way. And the more we offer these gifts, the more powerful the gift becomes and the more powerful the giver becomes. Those who are truly powerful are kind, not domineering.

I think some people are afraid and angry because they haven't drawn on their own goodness or kindness enough and it leaves them with a tremendous feeling of emptiness. They try numerous ways, like food, alcohol and drugs, to numb or distract themselves but these addictions only amplify their despair. The persisting emptiness consequently becomes the perfect breeding ground for both fear and anger to incubate and grow into a sense of powerlessness and inadequacy. And when the inner voice is saying "*lack, lack, lack,*" deficiencies become visible everywhere: in the closet, in people around, and, most devastatingly, in ourselves.

I know a little about this because I was a bulimic and tried everything to fit in – everything but reaching out with kindness and generosity. Fortunately I have learned over the years to first be kind to myself. I am a work in progress and must have patience when I err. I have also learned that I have many teachers around to assist and inspire me. When I focus on wanting to see kindness, it appears all around and I let it motivate me to pass it on.

I've also learned that kindness is a form of currency, for what we want in life isn't more money but more happiness. A note of appreciation, a box of homemade cookies or staying behind to help



clean up after a party are just a few ways to assist with that. But those who don't understand this, those who aren't aware that they have kindness to give, end up having to pay for everything in cash.

Interesting how vulnerability brings out the best in people. My mother-in-law remembers the Depression as being the happiest of years. Life was simple, nobody had anything and everything was shared. Kindness and generosity were rampant. Perhaps if we felt the sacredness of life at all times, recognized our vulnerability within the great scheme of things everyday, we would draw more on our kindness to make the world a gentler place.

Funny how times change, not long ago people who revered the land were considered primitive and uncivilized and those who dominated over it were called cultured. Now I wonder who the sophisticates and who the savages are.

Jewel in the song, *Hands*, sings "In the end, only kindness matters. In the end, only kindness matters." How true. Domination is not the way to happiness, stewardship is.

Anger is bred from fear and powerlessness and fear is bred from ignorance. Maybe our schools should be teaching the importance of reaching out with kindness and generosity - and not just generosity with money, but generosity with our smiles, generosity with giving people the benefit of the doubt, and perhaps most importantly, generosity with patience.

There's so much anger and worry in the air these days it feels like it will lead to some kind of revolution. I propose this: REVOLT AGAINST FEAR! BE KIND. BE GENEROUS.

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Susan Lee Offers Investment Advice

By Terrance Gavan

Susan Lee may not have a crystal ball, but she does spend her days planning futures.

"I love talking about the possibilities," says Susan, who, after 20 plus years in the financial services industry, decided last January to open her own business.

Susan now runs her own Financial Planning business out of a newly renovated house just across the street from the Haliburton Library.

"I am a Certified Financial Planner (CFP) and I have been involved in that type of work for over 20 years," says Susan. She started her career with the Fraser Valley Credit Union in BC and continued as a financial consultant/planner with the CIBC after moving back to Ontario.

As a registered CFP, Susan is qualified to help clients in all facets of their personal portfolio.

Most provinces do not regulate the use of the term "financial planner." Susan allows that her CFP certification is an assurance that she has completed a rigorous course of study approved by FPSC, passed the only independently developed national comprehensive examination (the CFP® Examination) for financial planning, and is committed to ongoing professional development.

Personal Financial Planning is the process of creating strategies, considering all relevant aspects of a client's financial situation, to manage financial affairs to meet life goals.

Susan says that financial strategies differ with every individual client.

"That's why it's important to develop a personal commitment to the client," says Susan.

Susan earned her CFP certification over ten years ago and she completes 30 hours of study each year to retain her CFP standing.

"It's important to stay current with the changing laws and practices," says Susan. That includes keeping current with income tax strategies, changes to tax-free investment options and personal exemptions status.

She says that she was involved with the financial planning aspect during her tenure with the Credit Union and later at the CIBC.

However, because of time constraints and bureaucratic commitments, she found the milieu of the bank to be "a little confining."

"I figured I would step out on my own," says Susan of her decision to start her own business back in January. She says that her new business is building a dedicated client base. "This is what I love doing,"

smiles Susan.

Financial planning is a process that determines how you can best meet your life goals through the proper management of your financial affairs and Susan says that can best be done when your personal planner understands and grasps your specific needs.



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Susan Lee cont'd...

Experience is a key, but it's obvious that the ability to listen, and acquire insight into a client's particular situation is of preeminent importance.

According to Susan, there is an important distinction to be made. She says she's not an accountant. "Accountants manage money," says Susan. "A CFP manages life stages."

Key to effective financial planning is the ability to take into account all relevant aspects of a client's financial situation, and to identify and analyze the interrelationships among sometimes conflicting objectives.

It is this unique integration of knowledge and skills across a broad range of topics that distinguishes professional financial planning from other related financial advice.

"I deal with all facets of money management," says Susan. "That may include insurance, mortgages and investments."

Susan says there is a misconception that financial planning is viable only for an elite percentage of the population. Susan stresses that her goal is to leave the door open to a broader base.

"Some financial planners won't touch anyone who earns less than 100 thousand per year, and some demand an annual fee," says Susan.

Susan says that she can handle mortgages for first time homeowners for a very reasonable price. This is usually the first stage of financial planning for a neophyte investor. She can also integrate that mortgage planning with some insight into insurance and possibly some investment options.

"We have a small population base here, but I chose to live here and not in a major center," says Susan.

"There aren't a lot of financial planners here in the area or in rural areas in general," say Susan. "So I have to be flexible and I have to diversify."

"I deal with each client and try to address their individual needs." And she says that she can bring her experience to bear over a broad spectrum of income baselines.

She says that she is as comfortable dealing with the needs of a first time home-buyer with a modest income as she is in working on an investment portfolio of a six-figure client.

"I draw on my experience to put together a plan," says Susan. "But it's one thing to know how to manage and another thing to actually put it into action."

In the case of investments, she attempts to create a plan that addresses individual's needs.

In the case of investments, the most important factor would concern risk management, says Susan, who understands that most investments, especially in rural areas, are taken on as a hedge against retirement.

Thus, Susan offers strategies to maximize investment potential while minimizing risk.

Along those lines, Susan also offers advice and information on Retirement and Estate Planning. These might include management or investigation of savings

and income programs, pension plans, retirement plans and annuities locked in pension funds. Susan says she also offers advice on Life Insurance. In the case of soon to be retired clients, she would look closely into details specific to "critical illness, disability and long-term care."

Susan is most enthused about the Mortgage aspect of her business. "Financing a house or cottage can sometimes be an unpleasant and stressful experience," says Susan. She says that it can also be one of the most significant purchases one will ever make.

"I am familiar with all aspects of the mortgage system," says Susan. "I have helped a lot of new buyers through the purchase and it's always exciting."

"Even people with less than perfect credit scores can get a mortgage. It's a question of knowing where to go and how to present it," says Susan.

She says she has steered many a neophyte client around the vagaries in the system, investigating avenues like Central Mortgage and Housing (CMHC) and in some cases exploring options for clients with a less than perfect credit score.

She allows that watching a client obtain his or her first house may be one of the most rewarding perks of the business.

"It can be a frustrating experience," says Susan, adding that she can usually negotiate a strategy that will place client and home together with a minimum of grief.

"I can usually help a client negotiate through the process by offering advice and strategies," says Susan.

"This is what I do and I love it," smiles Susan, crunching a few mortgage numbers out on her laptop.

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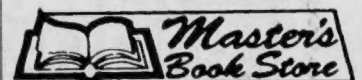
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